

No way to treat a champ

Peter Wilson captained Australia for nine years, which must make him one of the longest-serving national captains in the world.

He led the national team as recently as last year against New Zealand in Auckland as part of his total 115 games for Australia, including 62 full internationals.

Yet our record international was not invited to the Australia v England match which marked our soccer centenary. Neither was he invited to any of the games against Northern Ireland.

When I asked him about it, he just said: "To be honest, I'd be more surprised if I had been invited."

In other words, Wilson and the other Socceroos of the past are quite resigned to being snubbed.

Perhaps it would cost the Australian Soccer Federation too much to invite the prominent Socceroos of the past to all international matches.

But how about inviting at least those who live in the city hosting the particular game? Surely it's not too much to ask to acknowledge their contribution in this way.

The New York Cosmos show the way.

Former players and their wives are invited to all of Cosmos' home games and their names appear in the match programme.

It's downright rude of the ASF not to recognise at least its longest-serving captain.

Peter Wilson should be invited to every international match Australia plays at home. Furthermore, he should be invited to the dressing rooms to meet the players, especially the younger Socceroos to whom he serves as an example.



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You wonder why kids don't come to big games to barrack and to chase teams for autographs? Wonder no longer. What do we do to encourage the kids? What do we do to cultivate big personalities whom kids can idolise?

The Wilson affair is downright sad, for it says so much about the shortcomings of the game here.

It shows why top men are not retained in soccer as coaches, or perhaps administrators. It's no wonder that so many disappear from the scene.

In Europe it is customary for a player who has represented his country to get a ticket that entitles him to go and see any soccer match free of charge.

But here, you don't even get anything when you play your 50th international — just ask Jimmy Rooney who achieved that milestone against England.

SOCCEROOS TV STARS?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

The Australian Soccer Federation's marketing programme may turn the Socceroos into TV stars.

John Newcombe endorses Cinzano.

Max Walker swears by a brand of fly spray.

Tony Greig sings the praises of breakfast cereal.

Tony Roche likes a particular TV set.

Soon it may be soccer's turn to cash in on advertising.

With a little bit of help from ASF marketing man Rik Booth, Peter Sharpe, Gary Cole, Alan Davidson, Tony Henderson and the rest may appear in TV commercials for anything from beer to boot polish.

Booth will act as the go-between between the players and interested companies.

He will be chairman of ASF Marketing Ltd., the company being formed to market soccer in general and the 1981 world youth championships, to negotiate endorsement and advertising deals and to market emblems, T-shirts, soccer balls, training kits and so on.

Players who do endorsements or TV commercials will keep part of the money, and the rest will go into a pool to be shared by all squad members.



The leading Socceroo personalities are expected to be in demand next year, if the national team does well in the World Cup qualifying series.

The world youth championships, to be held every two years, will enable the ASF to encourage a continued high level of interest not only by companies, but also by the public.

Until now, the ASF has had to rely on the World Cup every four years.

Meanwhile, national coach Rudi Gutendorf has urged the ASF to ban overseas transfers by members of his national squad.

"We could lose up to five top players to overseas clubs if the ASF doesn't stop sleeping," Gutendorf said.

"The players earn maybe \$200 a week here, so they will jump at the chance to make five times that much in the European professional leagues."

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Farewell to Fashanu



Justin Fashanu of Norwich City played his last PSL guest game for Adelaide City against Footscray last Sunday. Among those who farewelled him was Nottingham Forest chairman Geoffrey MacPherson (left), in Australia on business. Between them is John Porin.

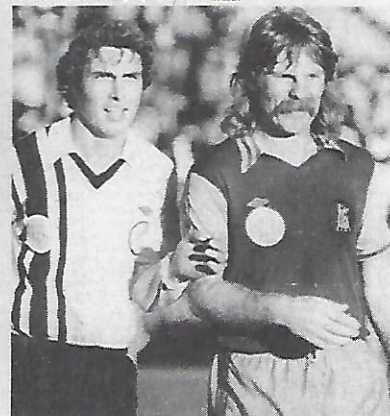
Yaka Banovic Heidelberg Utd wears Uhlsport Goalie Gloves



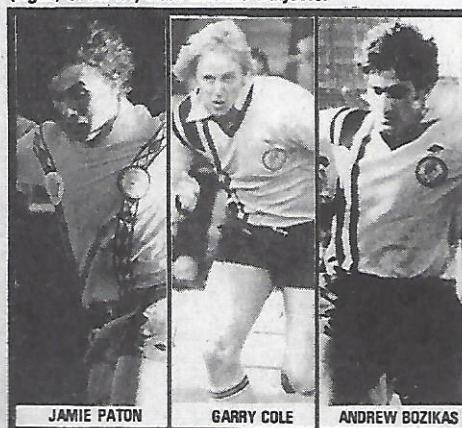
Former internationals Martin Chivers (left) of England and Frank Munro of Scotland opposed each other in the Victorian State League match between Frankston and Juventus last Sunday. See Page 7.



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Former Socceroo captain Peter Wilson (right) of APIA, with Branko Buljevic.



THE MATCH OF THE YEAR

HEIDELBERG UNITED (Alexander)

VERSUS

SOUTH MELBOURNE (Hellas)

SUNDAY 29th JUNE, 1980
OLYMPIC PARK (No. 1) 3 PM
PRE MATCH PROGRAM

2.00 pm Keysborough Irish National Pipe Band 2.10 pm City of Heidelberg Brass Band 2.20 pm Marching Girls 2.30 pm Brass and Pipe Band Spectacular 2.40 pm The 'Heidi-Birds' 2.45 pm Roy Higgins Introduction to the Crowd 2.50 pm Roy Higgins Introduced to Captains 2.55 pm National Anthem 3.00 pm Roy Higgins Kicks Off.

HALF-TIME ENTERTAINMENT: Marching Girls, Two Bands



Crook stars but Aussies miss Cole and Barnes

Australia's performances against Northern Ireland in Melbourne and Adelaide were good enough to beat most of our 1981 World Cup opponents at home.

The over-anxiousness shown in the Adelaide game could bring the Socceroos undone in the cauldron of Teheran or Baghdad, but there is time yet to develop poise and patience.

Australia may have lost the three-match series — 1-2 in Sydney, 1-1 in Melbourne and 1-2 in Adelaide — but it scored first in all but the first game and it showed remarkable fighting qualities against the British champions.

Sure, the Socceroos couldn't match Northern Ireland's general football ability and sharpness. If they could, they too would be able to beat Scotland, England and Wales.

But they won't be playing teams as strong in the World Cup, albeit Iraq does have 1979 victories against Sweden and East Germany to its credit.

And let's not forget that important players Gary Cole and Murray Barnes did not play in Adelaide. They had been key members of the team that drew 1-1 in Melbourne and had that team stayed together for the final match, it may well have drawn at least, or perhaps even held onto the one-goal lead gained through Peter Sharne after only five minutes.

Barnes could not play because he had to return to Sydney for university exams. Cole was left behind in Melbourne so that John Nyskohus could have a run. As it turned out, Gutendorf left Nyskohus out of the opening team and used him only as a substitute because Nyskohus had been unable to get time off from his butcher's shop in order to join the training camp.

But Nyskohus, like every other Socceroo, performed very well when he came on at half time as replacement for right back Steve Perry who had saved the team earlier by heading off the goal line with Martyn Crook beaten.

Crook, the third goalkeeper used in the series, made some brilliant saves and, in virtually jumping onto the back of Gerry Armstrong when he had no other choice, showed the type of desperation that is invaluable in tight games.

It was inexcusable that referee Don Campbell did not award Northern Ireland a penalty over Crook's charge. Crook would have been the last to complain, for he has conceded no more blatant a penalty in his career.

Luckily for Northern Ireland, Noel Brotherton slammed the ball into the empty net as it was forced out of the penalty area, with Crook and Armstrong still sprawled on the ground. That goal, in the

70th minute, made the score 1-1.

Sweeper Ivo Prskalo and John Zvendorn who was in midfield in the first half and at right back in the second, were the stars of the Australian team.

Northern Ireland striker Gerry Armstrong of Tottenham Hotspur was the best player on the field. John O'Neill, the mighty centre back, was excellent in defence and venomous when he came forward. Noel Brotherton had a good game yet again. Tommy Cassidy organised well in midfield, but Martin O'Neill, scorer of the equalising goal in Melbourne, was subdued by Jimmy Rooney.

The Irishman who will re-



John Zvendorn (left) confronts Gerry Armstrong.

member this match much, much longer than his team mates is young Colin McCurdy, the Linfield forward who replaced Billy Hamilton in the 57th minute and scored the winning goal with a header in a breakaway move 10 minutes from the end.

The Socceroos lost because they got very tired and because they continued pushing forward a little recklessly instead of "killing" the game at 1-1.

The Irish won simply because they were better.



LAURIE SCHWAB

Australia 1 (Sharne 5th) Northern Ireland 2 (Brotherton 70th, McCurdy 80th) at Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide, crowd about 6000.

Australia: Crook 9 - Prskalo 9.5 - Perry 7 (J. Nyskohus 8, half time), Henderson 8, Muir 7, Tansey 7.5 - Zvendorn 9, Rooney 7 (Selemidis 81st) - Krncevic 8 (Kosmina 83rd), Boden 7.5 (Jankovics 75th), Sharne 7.

Northern Ireland: Platt 7 - J. Nicholl 8, C. Nicholl 9, J. O'Neill 9, McClelland 7 - Brotherton 9, M. O'Neill 7, Cassidy 7.5, Cochrane 7 - Armstrong 9.5, Hamilton 8 (McCurdy 57th).

Referee: D. Campbell 4.

Australia drew 0-0 with Chile in the 1974 World Cup finals in West Berlin.

The Socceroos could win the three-match series this time, provided the midfielders provide better service to strikers Sharne, Cole and Eddie Krncevic.

There will be one or two more changes in the first eleven during this series and on the world tour but Gutendorf can feel content that most of his World Cup team now is settled.

The Socceroos prepared for their last meeting with the Ustermen with the traditional pre-match talk by Gutendorf.

The scene is the dining room of the South Terrace Traveldodge. Gutendorf and assistant Tony Boggi are in a last-minute huddle before Gutendorf takes the floor.

"We are strong enough to get the game under control if we mark the players so they cannot get into their rhythm, he begins.

"We must do everything to stop them from dominating us, so we cannot play defensive otherwise it is only a matter of time before they get a goal.

"I have all the confidence in Crook. His talent and technique are the best in the country. He only has to prove he has the nerves and can stand the tension.

"Tansey — my most reliable player in the defence — has the hardest task — to mark the blond guy, Brotherton. Go with him till he switches wings, then take the right mid-field player.

"Muir and Henderson — in the air you're better than Armstrong and Hamilton. Ivo — you were excellent in Melbourne and Sydney. Always give double cover.

"Rooney is in charge of who marks who in the midfield.

"It is hard for Rooney, he is passed by the ball, hangs between the defence and the midfield. But he is experienced enough. Look for Jimmy. If you don't give him the ball, he looks bad. Make him look strong. He is our relay station.

"Don't keep the ball too long. Pass quickly, otherwise you will lose the ball. Those off the ball must make it easy by getting into position to accept it.

"We are not the best soccer players but our work rate is over 100 per cent and that is something. We are able to sacrifice ourselves.

"Bingham is surprised that his team, worth five or six million dollars, has been unable to beat us clearly. I know the secret — we fight chance to challenge strongly in the air, is followed by an Armstrong header from a Brotherton corner, forcing Crook to make a reflex save.

"Boden — he has no chance to get high balls in the centre against these giant defenders, so look to pass to Sharne and Boden on the ground. Boden is the only player in the team with the ability for short twists and to go round and penetrate the area.

"Mark so strict that you destroy their rhythm.

"Always look for opening from behind — counter-attack.

"When Ireland has the ball, every person sticks very close to his man. The second they lose the ball, get away from your man so you can get the ball...."

It's stifling hot in the bus to Hindmarsh Stadium, but that's in keeping with Adelaide where everybody turns the air conditioning up too high. Outside it's cold, inside you sweat like a pig.

Australia plays to Gutendorf's instructions as far as possible and again gets off to a morale-boosting start.

After a run by Boden is stopped by a foul from Chris Nicholl, Sharne puts the home team in front.

John McClelland misses a long, bouncing ball at the left back position, enabling Sharne to run onto it. Sharne hooks it quickly with his right foot from 20 metres and it curls slightly, past goalkeeper Jim Platt, off the far post, into the net.

But the aggressive Irish ensure that Australian does not press home its advantage.

Billy Hamilton picks up the ball in midfield and his pass finds John O'Neill in the clear inside the area but the big man can't control the ball, which gives Tony Henderson time to move in and clear.

Then Perry does well to head off the line as Hamilton's header beats Crook. Jim Henry had done likewise in Melbourne.

A succession of corners by Australia, giving Krncevic the

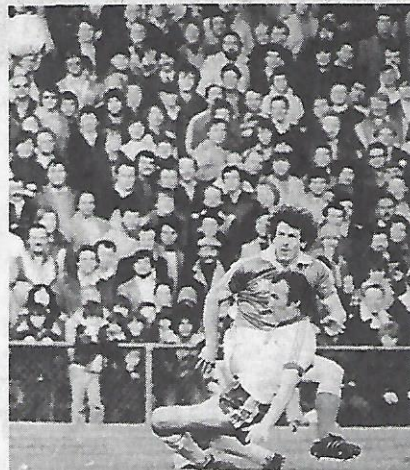


Colin McCurdy (right), scorer of Northern Ireland's winning goal in Adelaide, at training with Derek Spence (left) and John McClelland.

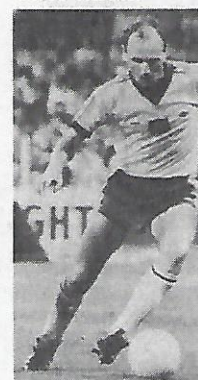
Zvendorn, who is breaking up many Irish moves in midfield with interceptions and determined tackling, heads goalwards and is pushed off the ball by Jim Nicholl. Henderson fires in a fierce free kick but goalkeeper Jim Platt holds it.

Then Australia starts losing the ball because of imprudent short passes. Rooney, Perry and Zvendorn all lose the ball this way.

Armstrong intercepts an attempted short pass by Perry and darts down the line. He's beaten Prskalo, so Prskalo resorts to crashing into him. Still, Armstrong manages to cut back into the middle where Cochrane's shot is stopped by a outstretched foot of Crook, but referee Campbell rules



Ivo Prskalo goes down limbo-style to head clear in front of Gerry Armstrong. Picture by Steve Chatzis.



Prskalo and Tansey tops

Ivo Prskalo and Jim Tansey were the best players over the three matches against Northern Ireland, according to ratings given in "Soccer Action's" coverage.

Prskalo and Tansey each had an average rating of 8.26.

Next came John Zvendorn with 8.2, Jim Muir with 8.1 and Tony Henderson with 7.66.

Murray Barnes and Martyn Crook also were excellent in the one game they each played.

Brotherton for Northern Ireland.

Nyskohus comes on for Perry at half time, taking an attacking position, while Zvendorn replaces Perry at right back. Australia now has virtually four forwards.

The opening five minutes are very good for Australia and had Sharne been able to control a square ball from Zvendorn in a break, they could have been even better.

Then Zvendorn comes inside, right up to the centre forward position in a burst of tough attacking play that epitomises his team.

But Armstrong replies by beating both Tansey and Prskalo on a sparkling run. Luckily for Australia, Crook manages to punch Armstrong's shot away.

In another Irish attack, Zvendorn sticks his foot in the way to prevent Martin O'Neill's square ball at the edge of the area from reaching Hamilton who is unmarked and ready to shoot. This move has been made possible for the Irish because Rooney's attempted clearance bounced off referee Campbell's back.

McCurdy replaced Hamilton in the 57th minute and two minutes later Crook makes a remarkable save from Martin O'Neill who shoots from an unmarked position after a pass from Cochrane.

Henderson blasts another Australia free kick over the bar after Chris Nicholl handles a shot by Nyskohus in a move started by Rooney and Tansey. Australia's downfall starts in the 70th minute.

The defenders are moving out, hoping to catch Ireland offside, but they leave Armstrong at the edge of the area, inside and unmarked. Crook is desperate. He crashes into Armstrong's back and, unbelievably, Campbell does not whistle for a penalty. The ball goes out to Brotherton, though, and he slams it back into the empty net. 1-1.

Brotherton attacks soon after down the left wing, from where he sends a long crossfield ball to McCurdy in the open. McCurdy steadies and is about to shoot but Nyskohus has run a long way back and he takes it away from McCurdy in the nick of time.

Gutendorf brings on Mark Jankovics for Boden in the 75th minute, and Jankovics cops a hefty kick in the leg which earns Chris Nicholl the yellow card.

As Theo Selemidis and John Coyne of Australia are warming up, Northern Ireland takes the lead.

Cochrane crosses from the right in a breakaway, with most of the Australians upfield, and McCurdy heads home from the far side. Northern Ireland has won, with about 10 minutes to go.

Selemidis comes on for Rooney and then John Kosmina replaces Krncevic who



Rudi Gutendorf as conductor the Australian soccer symphony.

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CROWD WATCH

Phillips League round 16 attendance: 21,030.

Corresponding figures in past seasons, 1979 - 30,808; 1978 - 27,517; 1977 - 27,147.

Total so far for 1980 - 408,871; 1979 - 499,023; 1978 - 510,493; 1977 - 484,935.

Attendance breakdown for round 16 last weekend and in previous seasons:

	1980	1979	1978	1977
APIA v. Newc.....	3428 (1-0)	4278 (1-3)	1312 (0-0)	750 (0-1)
Syd. C. v. St. Melb.....	3610 (2-1)	1027 (2-0)	—	2500 (2-2)
Can. v. St. Geo.....	3220 (1-1)	4500 (1-1)	—	—
Black. v. M'berg.....	3589 (1-2)	—	—	—
Foots. v. Adel. C.....	1916 (1-3)	2146 (0-2)	1000 (0-1)	2500 (3-4)
Briab. C. v. Marc.....	2337 (2-1)	8535 (3-4)	4550 (0-3)	5214 (0-1)
West Ad. v. Briab L.....	2700 (1-1)	5620 (1-0)	4786 (3-0)	5115 (5-1)

NOTE: Where no official attendance figures are released the figures are estimates by "Soccer Action" correspondents.

There's no one with more gloomy an outlook than the pessimist who dreads the evil day when things get better.

And believe me, there's a number of people around in soccer who can be slotted into this class at the present time.

These people profess to have Australia's soccer interests at heart, but just cannot stand to bear the success that Rudi Gutendorf is having with the national squad.

To sum up the situation, it's



TOM ANDERSON

just plain jealousy and envy of a man who knows where he is going and what's more, damned well knows how to get there.

Many of our self-confessed critics and self-confessed football authorities, see in Rudi Gutendorf what they would like to see in themselves.

They see a professional coach who knows most of the answers and a man destined to get the Socceroos to the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain.

Since he arrived from Germany, he has completely rebuilt the national team into an outfit that can stand on its own two feet with credibility in the Australian sporting world.

The games against England and Northern Ireland have greatly increased the stature of soccer in Australia and given the many youngsters playing the game a target at which to aim.

Gutendorf has made it clear that he wants only the best in his team — be they born here or migrated here to make a new life for themselves.

No matter — they're Australians just the same and proud ones at that. Mainly due to the efforts of Rudi Gutendorf, soccer has taken off into the '80's.

And if it continues — and there's no reason why it shouldn't — the sky's the limit.

Being a true professional, Rudi Gutendorf shrugs off all the unwarranted criticism over his selections and the way he's managing things.

He's probably forgotten more about soccer than his critics ever will learn.

Also, he is dedicated to bringing success to Australian soccer.

I've been around this game for more years than I care to remember and it disturbs me to see certain people having a go at Gutendorf.

These individuals by the way, are first in the queue when there's a free drink being offered or a reception being held.

Mind you, I think it is realised that for most of the time, these characters run around with their brains out of gear and their mouths running wild.

Ah well, I suppose it takes all kinds to make a world — although, most of us can do without these parasites.

In a matter of two weeks, English team manager Ron Greenwood has gone from the penthouse to the basement in one quick movement.

When he was here with the English team for the Centenary test at the SCG, Greenwood was the supreme

of English soccer and the darling of the Poms.

Today after England's failure in the Europe championship he's being written off as a failure and a candidate for the chop.

Greenwood is one of nature's gentlemen and he's done a great job with the English team in friendly games.

However, like those before him over the past decade, he's failed when competing in a major championship.

Already the names of Brian Clough, Bobby Robson and Lawrie McMenemy are being bandied around as possible managers for the English national team.

What will happen remains to be seen, but it's certainly a tough situation for the likeable Greenwood.

It could be however, that the English powers that be decide to stick with him until after 1982.

Whatever happens, it will be a tragedy if England fails to reach Spain and the 1982 World Cup finals.

The Poms have the best club football in the world, but like the Scots, Welsh and Irish they can't put it together in big championship events.

Maybe a Great Britain XI is the answer.

Bid to ban overseas transfers

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"And I'm sure their clubs would be delighted with any transfer fee they can pick up for these players."

English First Division club Ipswich Town wants Socceroos Greg Woodhouse and John Yendouren to stay in England for a trial after the Socceroos world tour in November.

Goalkeeper Yakka Banovic played trial matches with English club Derby County last summer and Derby recently has talked with Heidelberg United about buying him.

And AEK Athens wants to try out striker Gary Cole, who scored a hat-trick in Victoria's

4-0 victory over the Greek club last year.

Peter Sharne, who scored in all three matches of the just completed series against Northern Ireland, will be the next target for overseas offers, Gutendorf predicted last night.

"The ASF must tackle this situation as a real emergency," he said.

"If we do not impose a ban on our best players joining clubs overseas, then our World Cup bid next year will be hopeless."

Australia's next international series will be against Chile in Melbourne on August 14, in Sydney on August 17 and according to the present schedule, in Adelaide on August 20.

But Gutendorf said he does not want another game in Adelaide, venue of last Wednesday's third Test against Northern Ireland.

"Facilities are bad in Adelaide and the spectators are like cold fish. It felt as if we

were playing in Siberia," he said.

Press facilities are practically non-existent at Hindmarsh Stadium. One reporter, from Sydney, had to use a public phone box outside the ground to ring his paper, another phoned from a nearby coffee lounge and a radio reporter raced to his car and sped to a phone at his hotel as soon as the final whistle went.

Perhaps a location map of phone boxes and coffee lounges will be supplied to the reporters who will come from overseas to watch world youth championship matches at Hindmarsh Stadium next year.

World Cup: test of a coach

When I was told that Brian Green was no longer national coach I couldn't believe it.

Green was a great coach, he really was, because he had an excellent knowledge of the game and he made a player feel good. He always kept things interesting and that was important.

I also played under Jim Shoulder and he was altogether different, a quiet but forceful man but not as soft as most people accused him of being.

Rudi Gutendorf is different again, a real character who speaks out to the Press and criticises what he sees as our failings.

Often I am asked to judge between the three but really the best indicator of a "good" coach or a "bad" coach is results and let's wait and see if we can qualify for the coming World Cup finals before we assess anyone.

At club level I have played under Edmund Krefl, Less Scheinflug and Rale Rasic. I think that I have improved under Rale because my application to training and the match is better.

Rale of course has a great knowledge of the game but I can't say too much about Les Scheinflug because I didn't play under him long enough.

I believe that Edmund Krefl had a problem with our committee over the selection of guest players from overseas. It appears that they didn't see eye to eye about who should come over.

While on the topic of guest players I must say something about Justin Fashanu who will soon return to English First Division club Norwich.

On the field there can be no doubt about Justin's benefit to us and this is proven by the fact that we have lost only one game since he has been playing.

He has given us someone to look up front and his all-round ability has been a boon to us.

Justin can hold the ball, find space well, he's great in the air, has a terrific shot for goal and he can work hard and tackle back.

But the thing that really took me by surprise was the way he fitted in so well with all the people at Adelaide City.

Honestly, you would have thought that he had been here all the time because he came over here and instantly fitted in as if he were just one of the boys.

He really is a marvellous bloke. And people like him are good for the younger players in the club because we have great talent in our youth.

David Mitchell, Charlie Villani and Lucio Signore show excellent potential but remember there are a lot of young guys who lack application.

Whenever that is the case, Rale is not backward in letting them know what to do.

The young guys here clean



By John Nyskonhus

On the Ball

The Player's Viewpoint



Brian Green — national coach 1975-76.

the first team players' boots and look up to us so that when their time comes to play regularly in the first team they will feel a greater sense of achievement.

Still, these young blokes look like providing a solid base for Adelaide City as they are currently being groomed for the first team.

Our future looks bright as we have built up a tremendous club that rivals any of our PSL opponents in terms of facilities for the players.

We have excellent training facilities with saunas and baths available after training. In fact training is less of a chore when you know you will be looked after at the end of the session.

We rely upon our supporters to a great extent but recently they have been letting us down as attendances have fallen.

You can put it down to fickleness. The Italians are great when you're winning but once you start losing they won't come to the games.

We hope they will start to come back because we have been picking up valuable points recently.

Fickle supporters is a cross that our national team players have had to bear for many years.

It is just something you have

to learn to live with but it can unsettle the younger players in the national team.

At national level the crowds seem willing to support you if you are in front but if you are losing and could use the crowd support, you get nothing.

Maybe the fans here don't appreciate what World Cup qualifying games are all about.

I can remember playing in the last qualifying matches and believe me, the pressure is intense once you get out there.

It's funny really, because you go out to play for your country feeling the strain but on the other hand you enjoy playing at the highest level possible.

But pressure can be your downfall.

It is important to start well, otherwise the pressure mounts and you could be destroyed for the rest of the match.

I can't really say how our lads will react to the pressure and whether we will qualify for the next World Cup finals because I don't know enough about the calibre of our opposition.

As for all the uproar about playing non-residents in our national team I would like to say that it is no fault of Jim Muir's that he has been selected.

What do people expect of him — to knock back the chance of playing for Australia?

The administrators make the rules, not the players, but it seems to me that there is one set of rules for some players and another set for the rest.

Sure, I'd like to see 11 Australians playing for the national team and it must be disappointing for the Australian-born players not selected.

But remember it doesn't matter who a player is or where he comes from — when he is asked to play he will jump at the chance.

Again, I would like to remind people that it is the administrators who make the rules.

As for my own career in the national team, I have been through the ups and downs of Australian soccer over the past few years.

My first representative game was in the Australian under-21 side under the control of Eric Worthington and Brian Green.

I was not in the squad which went to West Germany in 1974 but undoubtedly that was one

of the highlights of Australian soccer.

Unfortunately nothing was learned from the experience of qualifying for those World Cup finals and the game was not marketed properly by our administrators.

What we needed and still need is good media coverage. Take the promises that have been coming this year concerning TV coverage of the PSL — nothing has happened.

The PSL could continue to prosper with good publicity but really, as far as I am concerned, the administrators leave a lot to be desired.

I have played in the PSL since its inception as I transferred from USC Lion to Adelaide City for \$5,000 before the first year of PSL competition.

The standard is much higher than it was at the start and the PSL is a viable proposition when it comes to constant improvement.

Let's just hope that the right people get behind the marketing of the league which can only make Australian soccer stronger as it grows.

As for the future, our improvement lies with the young players but it seems to me that too many lads taper off at the ages of 15 and 16.

I put this down to the lack of quality coaching in this country but the situation will have to change quickly.

For my own future, I can honestly say that I am happy to see my time at Adelaide City because the club has been good to me.

You wouldn't believe it, but for all the years that I've been playing I had never won anything until we won last year's Phillips Cup and I really savoured that moment. It was particularly satisfying to come from two goals down to win 3-2.

Now I look forward to a PSL championship. That is my aim.

I keep away from the administration of the club because it can influence many things to become friendly with the right or wrong person.

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★★ SYDNEY CITY ...	6	1	1	20	8	4	0	2	10	6	30	14
ADELAIDE CITY ...	5	2	1	11	4	3	0	5	13	13	24	17
★★ STH MELBOURNE ...	4	2	1	10	6	4	0	3	10	7	20	13
★★ Brisb. Lions ...	4	1	1	8	4	2	4	2	12	12	20	16
★★ Marconi ...	3	3	0	18	4	3	1	4	9	14	27	18
★ Canberra City ...	3	2	4	12	12	3	1	2	12	4	24	15
★ Footscray JUST ...	4	1	2	16	11	1	3	3	8	13	24	14
★ Newcastle KB ...	3	1	3	6	9	2	2	4	8	12	14	13
★ West Adelaide ...	5	2	1	10	6	0	0	7	6	22	16	28
Blackburn City ...	4	1	3	18	13	1	1	6	7	26	25	39
★ APIA-L'hard ...	4	2	2	10	11	0	0	3	12	13	23	10
★ Brisbane City ...	3	1	3	6	6	0	3	5	5	15	11	21
★ St. George BSC ...	2	0	5	10	20	2	1	5	11	19	20	39

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(H'berg)

WATSON (4)
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SUPPORT THE AIRLINE THAT SUPPORT YOUR SPORT THIS WEEK'S VOTES

Blacktown Stadium 1 Heidelberg 2 at Gabbie. Rating by Roger Sherack.

BLACKTOWN CITY: Freeman 9, Harris 8, Cuk 7, Pointer 8, Turnbull 7, Solvage 8, Hormazabal 8. O'Donnell 7, Isatt 7, Wilkinson 7, Hunter 8.

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 8, McMillan 7, Bannon 8, Tansey 9, Yzendoorn 8, Solemidis 8, Campbell 7, Rooney 7 (Taylor 50' - 7), Boziskas 7, Cole 8, Paton 7.

APIA-LEICHHARDT 1 NEWCASTLE KB UTD 0, at Lambert Park. Ratings by Ted Smithies:

APIA: Woodhouse 6 — Skellern 7, Wilson 8, Pullen 7, McAusland 7, Bradley 6, Harding 7, Coyne 7, Butler 7, Drews 7. O'Connor 8.

NEWCASTLE: Dando 7 — Reaney 8, Summerscales 7, Drinkwater 7, Curran 7, Kamasz 6 (Heys 7 half time), Tredinnick 8, McClelland 7, Jones 7, Senkalski 7, Burrows 7.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 1 ADELAIDE CITY 3 at Olympic Park. Ratings by Laurie Schwab.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 8, Hazabent 5, Kondarios 9, Ollerton 5 (Cozzella 82nd) Petrov 5, Kriaris 7, Rujevic 7, Picione 7 (Ilioski 60th), Kyriakoulas 7, Vasic 8, Lujic 8.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 7, Dodds 8, Besir 7, Jones 7, B. Nyskohus 7, Russell 7, Muniz 8, J. Nyskohus 8, Perin 7 (Melta 81st), Fashanu 7, Barnes 9.

WEST ADELAIDE 1 BRISBANE LIONS 1 at Hindmarsh Stadium. Ratings by Mons Toutsides:

WEST ADELAIDE: Gale 8, Bozanic 7, Maricic 7, Topolanski 7, McKie 7, Norris 7, Carruthers 7, McGregor 8, Kosmina 7, Manecic 7, Honeyman.

BRISBANE LIONS: Scanlan 7, Niven 7, Bennett 8, Hermiston 8, Wilson 7, Hogg 8, Verweij 7, Lindsay 7, McGregor 7, (Ogden) Millman 7, McNaughton 7.

BRISBANE CITY 2 MARCONI 1 at Perry Park. Ratings by Bruce Waddell:

CITY: Wishart 7, Perry 8, Potter 9, Ratcliffe 8, Wilkinson 9, Pimblett 8, Hamilton 8, Gaffney 7, Bruasacco 6 (Kelso 45th, 8), McCluskey 8, Low 5 (sent off).

MARCONI — Maher 9, Brogan 7 (Lindsay 65th), Praskalo 7, Muir 6, Degney 7, Henderson 7, Raskopoulos 7 (sent off), Byrne 6, Sharma 7, Jankovics 6, Krncovic 6.

SYDNEY CITY 2 SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 at Ea Marks Field. Ratings by Tom Anderson.

SYDNEY CITY: Pazzano 8, Mullen 7, Thomson 9, Spanos 7, Bruce 7, Watson 9, Stevenson 7, Barnes 8, Boden 7, Treanter 8, H. Silva 7.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets 5, Bannon 7, Davidson 9, Zanthopoulos 7, Christopoulos 8, Lutton 8, Rogers 8, Buljevic 7, Evans 6, Cummings 6, Campbell 6.

CANBERRA 4 ST. GEORGE 1 at Bruce Stadium. Ratings by Peter Windsor:

CANBERRA CITY: Wilson 7, Moulis 7, Milovanovic 8, Stark 8, R. O'Shea 7, Cole 8, J. O'Shea 7, Farrell 9, (Valeri 85th), Brennan 8 (MacLaren 83rd), Giampaolo 7, Byrne 8.

ST. GEORGE: Fraser 8, Utjesenovic 8, Russell 7, Macintosh 8, Skeen 7, Gnavi 7, (Bastoni), Stone 7, Duarte 7 (Cotton 67th), Campbell 7, Griffith 7.

Leading ratings:

8.2 Hermiston (BL)

8.1 Bennett (BL), Tansey, Cole (H'berg), V. Bannon (SM).

8.0 Milovanovic (Can), Kondarios (Foots), Barnes, Watson (SC).

7.9 Reaney (Newc), Hogg (BL), Campbell, Rooney (H'berg), Maher (Marc).

7.8 Ontong (BL), Boland (Foots), Zanthopoulos, Lutton (SM), S' O'Connor (SC).

7.7 Pointer (Black), McMillan (H'berg), Clarke, Mullen (SC).

7.6 Jones (AC), Ratcliffe (BC), Millman (BL), Crook (WA), Giampaolo, R. Wilson (Can), Lujic (Foots), Yzendoorn, Solemidis (H'berg), Laumets, G. Campbell (SM), Stevenson, Boden (SC).

7.5 Wilson, O'Connor (APIA), Potter (BC), D. Cole (Can), Banovic, P. Bannon (H'berg).

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18. Cole (H'berg).
9. Boden (SC).
8. Barnes (SC), Krncovic, Jankovic (Mar), Duarte (St. G.), J. Nyskohus (AC).
7. Giampaolo (Can).
6. Millman (BL), Vasic (Foot).
5. Paton (H'berg), Valeri (Can), O'Connor (APIA), Wilkinson (Black), Barnes (AC).
4. Hunter (Black), Tranter (SC).
3. Fashanu (AC), Samuels (APIA), O'Donnell (Black), Kelso (BC), McGregor (BL), Byrne (Can), Boskos (H'berg), Christopoulos (SM), Honeyman (WA).

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7.9 Hogg (BL).
7.6 Giampaolo (Can), Solomidis (H'berg).
7.4 Davidson (SM), Woodhouse (APIA), Bortogna (Nawc).
7.3 Tredinnick (Nawc), Spanos (SC).



Theo Solomidis George Christopoulos Gary Cole Alan Davidson Arthur Xanthopoulos John Yzendoorn

XANTHOPOULOS v PATON

COUNT-DOWN

COUNT DOWN to the Heidelberg United v South Melbourne match at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Wednesday: The video screen in the city square centre-page spread in "The Heidelberg" newspaper. Front page "Soccer Action". Radio announcements 3U and 3AW. Free passes giveaway competition.

Thursday: The video screen plus the promotion in the City Square from 12 noon to 1 pm. The United's six socceros plus "The Heidi-Birds" and the Keysborough Irish National Pipe Band. Fifteen minutes of the England versus Australia game will be shown on the giant video screen. The whole show will be projected live on the big screen. On Thursday evening a possible appearance on the Don Lane Show with head-tennis exhibition. There will be a plug from Peter Donnegan at the Sandown Greyhounds.

Friday: Coverage in Newspapers - Photos etc. Free passes given away from Radio Stations.

Saturday: Gary Cole interview on 3AW by David Grant - AFTERNOON Racing Show on 3UZ Peter Byrne to give a plug. Newspaper coverage.

City Square promotion, Thursday: 12 noon: The lead-in film of the Australia versus England match in Sydney. Ten or fifteen minute highlights.

12.15 pm: The Irish National Pipe Band of Keysborough comprising approximately fifteen to twenty pipers.

12.25 pm: The "Heidi-Birds" the Heidelberg United cheer-squad to do their number.

12.30 pm: Introduction of the Heidelberg United players who have represented Australia against England and Northern Ireland namely, Jimmy Rooney, Gary Cole, Jim Tansey, John Yzendoorn, Yakkia Banovic and Theo Solomidis. Announcements concerning the game on Sunday June 29 at Olympic Park.

12.40 pm: The Heidi-Birds again.

12.45 pm: The Irish Pipe Band to finish off proceedings.

The draw card of the season, a Heidelberg v Hellas clash, highlights this weekend's PSL matches.

Since the inception of the PSL, Heidelberg has the record to prove its superiority against its Greek rival but Hellas has rarely played better than it has recently.

Heidelberg could boast similar improvement for it holds the proud record of being the only Melbourne team to grace top spot on the PSL ladder.

The present and the future of Australian national teams come face to face with Jimmy Rooney and Jim Tansey, two of our most experienced internationals, confronting Alan Davidson and George Christopoulos upon whose young shoulders could rest our international future.

Experience and guile versus youth and exuberance is an age-old contest that has held crowds spellbound and that will pack Olympic Park with all the colour and fervour that the Greek community of Melbourne has bestowed upon local soccer.

To pick either side would be unjust, as player for player both teams have quality and are knitting together very effectively.

Both sweepers, John Yzendoorn of Heidelberg and Bertie Lutton of Hellas, read the game exceptionally well and provide fine cover for their fellow defenders.

Perhaps the most significant contest will take place between Arthur Xanthopoulos and Jamie Paton.

Xanthopoulos was criticised earlier this season by those who thought he could not come back to the top level of Australian soccer but his consistency has been his saving grace as week after week he has mixed it with the top strikers in the PSL and played well.

Xanthopoulos' biggest downfall appears to be his slowness in turning, and he will have to be sharp against Paton who can turn on a cent piece.

Both teams have full backs who love to charge forward, so play should swing from end to end in a manner befitting this local derby.

After the thrill of watching Gary Cole's powerful dashes upfield and George Campbell's jinking dribbles the crowd may have to settle for a draw but not before both teams prove for all time how far the standard of PSL soccer has improved in recent years.

J.U.S.T. takes on Canberra City at Middle Park on Saturday and the Canberra lads will be keen to sweep away the memories of the club's recent administrative upheavals with a sound win.

Canberra should show less mercy for the crumbling organisation of J.U.S.T. than did Brisbane City two weeks ago when "Soccer Action" editor Laurie Schwab was prompted to liken J.U.S.T.'s escape with one point to a Houdini act.

Gerry Chald used to reveal

In competing against Marconi and trading tactics with his opposing coach.

That was when Chaldi was the supreme with Sydney City and in charge of a squad stacked with quality players.

Not so nowadays as Chaldi coaches West Adelaide which must have driven its supporters to the brink of manic depression with the ups and downs of its season so far.

Les Scheinflug can ease the mounting committee pressure upon his shoulders by guiding Marconi to a convincing victory over West Adelaide and Marconi to a convincing victory over West Adelaide.

In other matches Brisbane Lions should not miss the opportunity of driving home to the local fans that it is Brisbane's main flag bearer in this year's PSL while Sydney City looks too classy for St. George and with the possibility of Heidelberg faltering the Slickers will need little added motivation to do well.

The weekend's games with likely winners and previous results:

IN MELBOURNE
Footscray J.U.S.T. v CANBERRA at Middle Park Saturday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - J.U.S.T. 3-0, 1-0, 1978 - Can 2-1, 1-1, 1979 - Can 2-1, J.U.S.T. 3-0, 1980 - 0-0 Advantage J.U.S.T. 3 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 10-5.
Heidelberg v Hellas (draw) at Olympic Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - Heid 5-2, 1-1, 1978 - Heid 4-1, 1-1, 1979 - Heid 1-0, 2-2, 1980 - 0-0. Advantage Heidelberg 3 wins, 4 draws. Goals: 14-7.

IN SYDNEY
MARCONI v West Adelaide at Marconi Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - Marc -1, 1-0, 1978 - Marc 2-0, WA 2-1, 1979 - Marc 2-1, 2-1. Advantage Marconi 5 wins, 1 loss. Goals: 10-5.
St. George v SYDNEY CITY at Barton Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - 3-3, 1-1, 1978 - SC 3-1, 4-2, 1979 - SC 5-0, 3-1. Advantage Sydney City 4 wins, 2 draws. Goals: 18-7.

IN BRISBANE
Brisbane City v BRISBANE



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Adelaide City's Justin Fashanu (left) and Footscray's Jim Kondarios during their running duel at Olympic Park. Picture by STEVE CHATZIS.

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Roger Sherack



Cole grabs half a ton

BLACKTOWN 1
HEIDELBERG 2

Ground: Gabbie Stadium
Crowd: 3589
Referee: Doug Rennie 7
Yellow cards: Rooney (H), Pointer (BC)
Goals: Bozika (1), Cole (53), Wilkinson (61)

Gary Cole, the tall bustling striker of Heidelberg Utd, helped himself to a goal at the Gabbie Stadium which proved the winner against the Demons and in the process he equalled the 18 goal record in the Phillips League set last year by Mark Jankovics.

It was also his 50th League goal since the inception of the PSL three and a half years ago.

With the chances that came his way, Gary could have scored at least two more goals, but had he done so the score might have flattered the visitors.

On the day, Heidelberg was a goal better side and deserved its win. Yet it had to survive a spirited fightback by the home side to make it home.

After only one minute of play Andy Bora latched onto a cross from Theo Selmidis to make it 1-0 to suggest that the leading PSL side was in for a feast of goals.

However, Blacktown was almost on level terms after 10 minutes, but Izatt failed to convert an easy scoring opportunity and the visitors gasped a sigh of relief.

Only three minutes later it was O'Donnell missed a sitter with only Banovic to beat.

Hormazabal skinned the crossbar before Heidelberg came back to create some good scoring opportunities through Gary Cole, but the PSL leading scorer failed to beat Freeman.

Jimmy Tansey hit the crossbar in the dying seconds of a very entertaining first half.

Soon after resumption Peter Freeman was called upon to make yet another great save before Gary Cole finally made his way through Blacktown's defence to make it 2-0, with a powerful low drive from an acute angle.

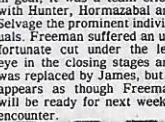
With half an hour to go Blacktown pulled one back through Paul Wilkinson, after a mistake by Jimmy Tansey, to send the bell for the Blacktown attack.

The home side continued to raid Heidelberg's goal and came close to scoring an equaliser through Wilkinson and Izatt.

In goal for the visitors Banovic had his hands full and looked beaten in the last minute of the game as Ian Hunter made his break. Latching onto a great through ball by Ricci Hormazabal Hunter faced Banovic. Alas, his low shot was blocked by the keeper and the last chance went begging.

For Heidelberg, Jimmy Tansey, apart from the unfortunate mistake in the 61st minute, was the best, well supported by Selmidis, Yzen-doren and Cole.

For the home side, apart from brilliant Peter Freeman in goal, it was a team effort with Hunter, Hormazabal and Selvidge the prominent individuals. Freeman suffered an unfortunate cut under the left eye in the closing stages and was replaced by James, but it appears as though Freeman will be ready for next week's encounter.



Jim Kriaris — back in the Footscray J.U.S.T. team against Adelaide City tomorrow.

Meno Toutsidis



Gale great deputy

WEST ADELAIDE 1
BRISBANE LIONS 1

Scorers — Honeyman 9th (West); McGregor 3rd; (Lions)
Crowd: 2,789
Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium
Weather: Cool
Cautions: Hogg (Brisbane Lions)
Referee: Bobby Kerr.

West Adelaide must be resigned to the fact that this is simply not going to be its season.

In a very scrappy affair, it had enough chances to finish off Brisbane Lions but was denied a winning goal due to some resolute defence.

Twice John Kossina looked like scoring, but on each occasion his shot thundered off a Lions player.

But in retrospect a draw was a fitting result for a match which ended like reaching great heights in the first 15 minutes but then petered out into a rather dull affair.

West was forced to take the field without Soccer keeper Martyn Crook who reported to club training with a swollen knee after the Northern Ireland — Australia international.

It is believed he may need an operation which could sideline him for the rest of the season.

However Crook's deputy Brian Gale had a good game in his first PSL appearance despite conceding an early goal.

Gale, 18, represented SA in the recent youth championships in Canberra.

Lions, poised to burst into the top four, opened enthusiastically and caught West's defence napping in the opening minutes.

It was rewarded for its aggressive attitude when Tom McGregor rifled a low cross into the net from five metres.

West overcame this setback and carved out an unequalled six minutes later when Graham Honeyman slammed a powerful ground shot past Tony Scanlan after Graham Norris' shot had been blocked.

The match then developed into an end-to-end attacking affair with West giving its supporters some anxious moments in the Lions goalmouth.

But Lions looked dangerous whenever they went forward, particularly Steve Hogg who was probably Lions' best player.

Hogg occasionally got too aggressive and was booked in the first half for what appeared to be dissent.

Kossina, West's most effective striker in the first half, forced Scanlan to turn a shot around the post when he burst through the defence.

However, moments later McGregor shot wide after a crisp Lions move which exposed West's suspect defence.

The second half was a boring affair and although both sides had their chances to win they did little to excite the crowd.

Kossina had possibly the best chance of the second half when he slammed a shot from 10 metres but it cannoned off Col Bennett.

The draw gave West its 12th point of the season all of which had not been acquired at home.

It has lost only once this season at Hindmarsh, a 0-2 decision against Footscray.

Meanwhile, Lions again proved that it will be a very difficult team to shake off of its carefully mapped course to the top four. Its double pillars of defence in Jim Hermiston and Col Bennett are among the most formidable in the league.

Both these men were at the heart of virtually every defensive move against West and did much to curb the effectiveness of West's strikers.

In midfield Hogg, Gerry Lindsay and Johan Verweij were quite a handful.

Croatian dance

Vicorian State League club Croatia will hold a dance at the International Hotel, St. Albans, this coming Saturday, 28 June.

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Terry Byrne top man

CANBERRA CITY 4
ST. GEORGE 1

Referee: Col Amos, Brisbane, 6.
Crowd: 3450.
Cautions: Stark, Barton, yellow cards.
Weather: Fine Sunny.

Terry Byrne was Canberra City's hero in its best home performance of the season when it deservedly crushed St. George 4-1 at Bruce Stadium.

Throughout Canberra showed great fighting spirit and tenacity and was always superior.

It was a great morale boosting win for the team and for caretaker coach John Brown.

Never before have I seen Canberra's fans erupt into such a scene of cheering as when the hard-working forward Tony Brennan ended his goal drought and shot Canberra ahead in the 38th minute.

Baz Giampaolo's cross had lifted the goalmouth with Brennan gathering on the far side and seeing a gap amidst a mass of red-shirted St. George defenders.

Brennan snapped in a first time rocket and it found the net.

But it was St. George who had the first real chance of scoring when Canberra City unsuccessfully tried the offside trap and left teenager Mark Barton with just Canberra's 'keeper Richard Wilson to beat.

Barton moved goalwards with purpose but his rising shot hit the post.

Canberra then closed ranks and took command with Roy Stark and Mike Milovanovic again having great games.

But for sheer dogged hard work and tenacity the man of the match was Scottman Isaac Farrell. He played the proverbial blinder and ever since Brown brought him back into the squad he has justified his coach's confidence.

After Brennan's goal Canberra City continued to control play but St. George still fought hard and showed neat, one-two attacking raids.

One such raid saw Canberra's Baz Giampaolo handle more than a minute into first half injury time.

Brisbane-Teferese Col Amos immediately pointed to the ground and St. George captain Doug Utenshenov converted the spot kick.

The second half was all Canberra's as it moved with purpose and great confidence.

It knew it had beaten St. George 5-1 in Sydney in the first round and was out to repeat the performance.

But this was a different St. George with Raul Blanco having made solid and cheap recent signings in Billy Griffiths, Ernie Campbell and Peter Stone.

The visitors never gave up trying and Canberra had to work hard for the break.

It wasn't until the 72nd minute. The man who made it, through sheer opportunism, was Terry Byrne.

Duncan Cole, Canberra's New Zealand international, had blasted in a sizzling free kick and St. George goalkeeper Mike Fraser saved but failed to take cleanly.

Byrne was quick to see the chance, nipped aside to gather the bouncing, loose ball and then side-footed it into the net.

From then until the end it was one way traffic.

Again fans lifted the roof when Byrne got the decisive break.

Ten minutes later Byrne was again the destroyer. It was a magnificent, solo effort. He gathered a punted clearance and raced 50 metres before scoring. On the way he shrugged off the attention of St. George stopper Dave McIntosh and then neatly dribbled the ball around Fraser before squeezing his shot inside the post.

With just four minutes left Giampaolo completed the scoring.

St. George coach Raul Blanco was understandably dejected for St. George needed to have at least shared the points to stay out of the relegation zone.

Brown was understandably ecstatic.

"A great team performance," was his only comment. "I'm not singing out any-

Bruce Waddell



Raskopoulos, Low off

BRISBANE CITY 2
MARCONI 1

Scorers: BC Potter, McCluskey. MARC: Jankovics.
Ground: Perry Park.
Weather: Cloudy.
Crowd: 2337.
Referee: Tony Beazleigh 8.
Send-offs: Low (BC), Raskopoulos (M).
Cautions: Hamilton (BC), Dagny (M).

Brisbane City drew on untapped depths of courage to produce one of the most stunning upsets this season, a 2-1 victory over the champions Marconi at Perry Park.

It is difficult to recall the last time Marconi has lost three matches on the trot in PSL.

Even though Marconi had experienced some form of slump, with two previous losses against Blacktown City and South Melbourne, it was felt the struggling City would need a miracle in this game, even allowing for its encouraging effort against Footscray the week before.

Things certainly looked grim when Kim Wishart had to deflect a Peter Raskopoulos thunderbolt in the 8th minute, and when a minute later, Eddie Krncevic missed a simple header after a great cross from Peter Sharne.

Then in the 11th minute, Marconi went one up with Sharne slicing through the defence to set up Jankovics, who calmly slotted home as the City players appealed in vain for offside.

Who would have thought then that Marconi would not score again, particularly after City striker Kevin Lov was sent off by referee Beazleigh in the 22nd minute.

Low chased through after a pass as Allan Maher gathered, and in an apparent reason felled the Marconi keeper by throwing him to the pitch.

But as so often happens, that seemed to be the turning point of the match. Marconi proceeded to do very little up front and City forged back to create three or four promising openings before halftime.

Wishart was not tested for the rest of the half. On the other hand, Maher brilliantly tipped over a shot from Bobby Hamilton and Mark Brusasco missed the crossbar by inches when George Potter crossed positively from the right.

Then once again, a big gap appeared in the Marconi defence. Steve Perry's overlapping run and cross was headed to Brusasco's boot by Peter Brogan arrived just in time to knock it away for a corner.

City replaced Brusasco at halftime with Barry Budge, who seemed to be red at the feet of Evans and Christopoulos to avert what looked like certain goals.

After the match South Melbourne coach John Margaritis was critical of the display of referee Tony Boskovic.

Margaritis said that Boskovic should have disallowed a goal by Alan Evans immediately after the interval, and that Boskovic played three minutes under time.

Like all coaches, Margaritis did not fancy the taste of defeat.

Referee Boskovic had a good game and if Margaritis had a gripe, it should have been at some of his own players who were a little somewhat negative.

South Melbourne was quite effective in defence and spoiling tactics, but was very light in ideas up front.

At times the defence was pretty ineffective against the well organised City defence.

The best for the Victorians were youth internationals Alan Davidson and George Christopoulos.

Davidson is a player destined to wear the green and gold of Australia for a long time to come.

Christopoulos also is a brilliant young player but he must learn and learn quickly to control his mouth as this led him to receive a caution from referee Boskovic.

Once again, the Slickers turned in a very effective performance and in the end deserved both points.

Although not as brilliant as at times this season, they proved to be a very well organised unit with every player playing his part.

Player-coach Eddie Thomson was at great afternoon and never put a foot wrong.

He led by example and his players responded to his demands in no mean fashion.

Not behind Thomson was the talented Joe Watson who tantalised the South Melbourne defence with some brilliant footwork.

There was a clash befitting two teams fighting for honours at the top of the table. It was hard, demanding and ruthless with no quarter asked and

Tom Anderson



Laumets the culprit

SYDNEY CITY 2
HELLAS 1

Referee: Tony Boskovic 8.
Cautions: Christopoulos 18th, Mullen 78th.
Scorers: Sydney City: Boden 24th, Trenter 37th South Melbourne: Christopoulos 75th.
Ground: E.S. Marks Field.
Conditions: Fine. Crowd: 3601.

Sydney City won this ultra important top of the table clash because they made less mistakes than South Melbourne — it's as simple as that.

Both teams were desperate for points and the visitors South Melbourne stacked their defence in a bid to put up the shutout.

City opted to play the percentage game and sat back and gave nothing away and waited for the Victorians to make mistakes.

This proved to be a successful play and the scoreline shows that the Slickers coach Eddie Thomson read the situation to perfection.

Both the Slickers goals came from bad errors by South Melbourne goalkeeper Peter Laumets.

In the 24th minute Laumets dropped a John Stevenson corner kick in the path of Ken Boden and the elegant Soccerero smashed the ball into the back of the net.

Then in the 37th minutes Laumets failed to cut out a cross from Ian Bruce and Mark Trenter headed home City's second.

South Melbourne's goal was a well taken individual effort.

Youth international George Christopoulos broke from behind and received a well judged through pass from George Campbell to blast the ball into the net.

Slickers goalkeeper Tony Pezzano had no chance with this one but unlike the unfortunate Pezzano, young Pezzano had a fine game.

In fact had it not been for two very brave saves early in the game, the Victorians could have had two goals.

Four hours before the game started a water main burst on the edge of the penalty area on the cricket ground end of the stadium. This left a very muddy patch and the City defence caught out twice in its attempts to pass the ball back to Pezzano.

However the youngsters covered himself with glory and made a fine save by Lucic and Vasic. If he is worried that by pushing another man into attack he will weaken his team's defensive power, he could compensate by using a sweeper and two centre backs, one of whom (or the sweeper) would push forward when the opportunity is there.

The best line-up from the available players, with the future in mind, would be:

Boland — O'Reilly — Hazabent, Kondarios, Kyriakoulas, Ilioski — Javanovic, Rujevic, Vasic, Piccione, Lucic.

This would of course, relegate Petrov, Kriaris, Ollerton and Belic to the bench but they would provide cover for most of the positions.

But it's easy to put a team down on paper. What counts is what it does on the field, as Ili knows well.

After all, J.U.S.T. got its first win with Kondarios injured, Rujevic and O'Reilly as the centre backs, Ollerton as sweeper and Belic in midfield.

Kale Rasic has no such problems at the moment. His team has been playing exceptionally well since it gained Colin Barnes from Hitchen Town and Justin Fashanu as guest player from Norwich City.

Although he was beaten in man-to-man duels by Jim Kondarios, Fashanu succeeded in creating space for Barnes and for John Nyskohus breaking from midfield.

Rasic's plan was to overcome J.U.S.T.'s second line of defence. That's why Nyskohus played so deep, and it worked perfectly. As soon as the J.U.S.T. midfield was beaten, the defenders were helpless.

Just ask goalkeeper Dennis Boland who had to come out of the goal and save a few times to dribble the ball away from opponents.

A penalty by John Nyskohus awarded after Boland had fouled Barnes, and a close-range goal by Barnes, gave City a commanding 2-0 lead at half time. A goal by Vasic, after good lead-up play by Ilioski and Igor Hazabent, opened the game up temporarily until Fashanu scored from an angle 10 minutes from the end of a double time

Laurie Schwab



Hard time for lile

FOOTSCRAY JUST 1
ADELAIDE CITY 3

Scorers: AC: J. Nyskohus pen. 14th., Barnes 28th., Fashanu 80th.; JUST: Vasic 60th.
Ground: Olympic Park. Crowd: 1918. Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.

If Slobodan Javanovic returns to the fold, Footscray J.U.S.T. will have 14 field players with roughly the same claims for the 10 places in the team.

Obviously a blow-up is brewing. All the signs are there.

Out of it, hopefully, will come a team that will pull J.U.S.T. out of the mess in which it finds itself after five games without victory.

Jim Kriaris returned to the PSL team for his first game since 1978 on Sunday, to replace Javanovic who was injured, but who also is in serious dispute with the club.

Kiri Kyriakoulas, bought from Hellas a few weeks ago, had a sound game as a mid-field destroyer, and Mirko Rujevic was always trying to complete the reshuffle.

Jim O'Reilly and Zoran Ilioski were dropped to facilitate a John Stevenson corner kick in the path of Ken Boden and the elegant Soccerero smashed the ball into the back of the net.

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Ted Smithies



APIA battles for a win

LEIGHHARDT 1
NEWCASTLE UNITED 0

Ground: Lambert Park. Crowd: 4328
Referee: Henri Witschge 8
Goals: Bill Summerscales O.G.
Cautions: Yellow card: McAusland 75'

The game was typical of a match between two of the leagues biggest battles.

Both sides are fraught with injuries and short on points. There are perhaps worse for Leighardt for even Willie Wallace was listed as a replacement.

The match really didn't see all that many scoring opportunities, yet it was always entertaining and kept the spectators engrossed in proceedings.

Leighardt looked that little bit more composed in its team work and was always trying to push the ball wide to open the match up.

Things started to really move about half way through the first half as both sides had moves which looked potentially quite dangerous, but both defences, particularly Wilson for Leighardt and Reaney for Newcastle, were reading the play extremely well and so defending these situations.

Leighardt took a 1-0 lead after a brilliant run by Phil O'Connor. He broke down the right flank and shot from wide inside the area. His shot forced keeper Phil Dando to dive but he could not take the ball clearly and the rebound fell to Curran. With Robbie Drews teaming in like a runaway locomotive, Curran tried to clear but the ball hit Bill Summerscales and rebounded into the net.

It was a disaster for Newcastle for it was obvious to all in attendance that it was a match in which goals were going to be very hard to come by.

It certainly sunk Newcastle's spirits and Drews nearly made it 2-0 only a minute later off a corner.

Leighardt came out looking the more positive side after the break and had some good chances with Drews and particularly O'Connor featuring prominently.

O'Connor put a shot over the bar in the 57th minute and only two minutes later sent in a cross from the left which Dave Harding missed with a header into an open goal.

O'Connor was involved yet again in the 70th minute as his shot rebounded off the keeper and the ensuing shot by John Bradley was kicked off the line by Reaney.

Newcastle did not let go of the match however and came back to pressure Leighardt's sometimes brittle defence in the last 20 minutes of the match.

In the 74th minute Greg Woodhouse was called on to make a brilliant save by tipping a nearly point blank

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Votes for the General Tourist Best Player Award, a trip for two to New Zealand.

FRANKSTON V JUVENTUS
3 - Cooper (F)
2 - McCluskey (F)
1 - Nelson (J)

CROATIA V CROYDON
3 - Mitten (C)
2 - Gardiner (C)
1 - Brogan (C)

SUNSHINE V ALTONA
3 - Mussel (S)
2 - Cannell (A)
1 - Lewis (A)

W. SUBURBS V SLAVIA
3 - Glykokalamos (WS)
2 - Cooke (Slav)
1 - Mitandis (WS)

HAKOAH V GEORGE CROSS
3 - Paparas (GC)
2 - McNeill (H)
1 - Blair (H)

MAKEDONIA V GREEN GULLY
3 - Cullen (M)
2 - Dunne (GG)
1 - Denys (GG)

Progressive votes:
12 - Glykokalamos (WS)
12 - Paparas (GC), Dunne (GG), Mussel (S)
11 - Cullen (M), Cannell (A), Kent (H)
9 - McCombe (Croy), Curcio (J), Murphy (Croy)
8 - Morrey (GG), Kokoska (C)

Leading scorers:
10 - McGuinness (J)
8 - McMillan (M)
6 - Ward (M), French (H), Pocock (S), Adams (F)

McMISS 'EM MAKEDONIA 2 (Cullen, McMillan) GREEN GULLY 2 (Perkins, Patten)

MAKEDONIA: Kastner - Rainey, Flavell, Higham, Beech - Petrovski, Luchesi, Fashner - Cullen, McMillan, Ward.
GREEN GULLY: Denys - Smart, Dunne, Patten, Crilly - Vojtek, Bennett, Vassallo - Segi, Perkins (sub Bennie 70th), Morrey.

Makedonia striker George McMillan was at the centre of some dismal finishing that robbed Makedonia of a win over Green Gully Ajax.

McMillan missed three chances from close range before finally slotting home Makedonia's second goal to give the home team a 2-1 lead.

But Gully's players showed great character in never dropping their heads and fighting back to 2-2 when three Makedonia defenders stood flat-footed as John Patten strode in behind them and expertly side-footed Jimmy Dunne's free kick past a bewildered Lou Kastner in the Makedonia goal.

Steve Beech, John Higham and Gordon Flavell watched as if mesmerised as Dunne's free kick, taken from about 10 metres inside Makedonia's half, sailed over their heads to Patten who had judged the ball perfectly.

From then on Gully was determined to maintain a point and although McMillan again failed with a weak shot five minutes from time, Gully had shown what taking chances means to the final result.

Gully led at half time thanks to a Dave Perkin goal which was quickly evened up after the break when Robert Cullen, who was a dynamo all day, ran onto a great ball after Steve Beech's overlap and gave Lou Denys no chance from about 10 yards.

The two D's, Denys and Dunne, stood out at the heart of the Gully defence but the striking problem remains for Bobby McLachlan's team.

McLachlan hopes to shortly remedy the situation. He said that although the club has money, it wants to be selective rather than buy the sort of "rubbish" that some clubs had bought this year.

One player being sought is striker Alan Fisher of Blacktown City.



Blacktown's Alan Fisher - sought by Ajax

Peter Marshall
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Frankston hopes to set a crowd record with its clash with Makedonia this weekend.

Makedonia will be fired up for this clash knowing that Frankston is much improved due to the acquisition of Martin Chivers. But the tough, aggressive Makedonia team will not lay off big "Chiv" as meekly as Western Suburbs did in Chivers Australian debut.

Reputations are recorded on paper and that is where Chiver's reputation will stay for the full 90 minutes of this match.

The former English international will have to call upon all his experience against the toughest defenders in England and Europe to cope with the close attention he will receive from Makedonia.

No doubt Chivers will do well but the overall balance and quality of Makedonia should see it through in what will be a hard-hitting contest in which no prisoners will be taken.

Green Gully won't have it all its own way when it tackles Hakoah at Green Gully Reserve.

Hakoah's wide front runners Chris Kent and Mike Loh should trouble Gully but with the improved organisation that Bobby McLachlan's lads are showing at the back Hakoah's unpredictable striker Graham French could find chances few and far between.

But a draw looks on the cards with both teams too cautious to commit themselves to going forward and exposing gaps at the back.

Controversy surrounded last weekend's round of State League matches when Juventus fans and officials were incensed by an off-side decision given after George Gillan had slammed a fierce drive into goals from 20 yards.

At Middle Park Chris Kent of Hakoah was sent off for allegedly kicking Tony Ziegelaar of George Cross behind play but both sides were evened up when Robert Mirak was sent off for allegedly kicking Anton Dosen of Hakoah.

FRANKSTON 1 (Wail) JUVENTUS 0.

FRANKSTON: Whiteside 8 - Parton 8, Lowe 7, McCluskey 9, Vail 7, Cooper 9, Chivers 7, Webb 6 (Sub. Buchanan 65th), Adams 6, Wall 7, Young 5 (Sub. Coulson 72nd).

JUVENTUS: Kelly 8 - Curcio 8, Della Rocca 7, Munro 9 (in. sub. Incentulup half time 6), Terquinio 7 - Solidoni 7, Nelson 9, Cline 8, Henry 8 - Gillan 6, McGuinness 7.

Linesman Jim Dale was the centre of controversy after Frankston snatched a 1-0 win against Juventus.

In the 56th minute Dale made the most important decision of the game when he raised his flag to indicate off-side after Juve's George Gillan had cranked an underfootable shot into the back of Bill Whiteside's goal from about 20 yards.

Referee Bob Henderson was pointing to a free kick as Juve's fans were hugging each other in delight at Gillan's goal.

Their delight quickly turned to anger when it became obvious that Henderson had headed Dale's signal.

Irate Italians ran towards Dale and started spitting and threatening him so severely that the game had to be held up until Juve coach Manny Poulakakis, keeper Jack Reilly and striker Bobby McGuinness walked to the distraught Juve fans and quelled the outburst.

What then proved to be a masterstroke occurred in the 72nd minute when Willie Coulson came on for Bruce Young, Coulson going into

name for himself because he could easily have ended up with four or five goals," he said.

"But I can't take anything away from Alex Mitandis in Suburbs goal."

Mitandis thwarted McGorian on four occasions but two in particular saved the day for Suburbs.

On both occasions Mitandis came off his line and dived at McGorian's feet, saving brilliantly.

Although Slavia had the better of the chances, Suburbs looked good in patches and it came as no surprise when Steve Carr picked up possession 10 yards inside Slavia's half, rounded John Cullen

before setting up George Theodoridis, coming inside on the blind side of Slavia's defence.

As keeper Elvio Pugliese advanced and dived down at Theodoridis's feet the Suburbs striker coolly clipped the ball into the net to equalise.

McGorian had opened the scoring in the 47th minute when he found room on the far post and headed home Paul Cooke's free kick.

Paul Wade worked his heart out as a target man and Slavia did well with a team depleted by the absence of Cliff Whiteside, Dave Griffiths and John Luccesi.

Mitten was intelligently pushed onto Alan Patten which left Croydon bereft of an effective sweeper spare at the back.

Sunshine City was once a happy home for Croatia's dynamic wee man Tommy Cumming but sentiment will be forgotten when Cumming takes the park as part of a Croatia side resuming its attack on top spot on the State League ladder.

This will be a tough encounter for John Gardiner's team but the added influence of Cumming should see Croatia's strikers Carl Gilder and Noel Mitten getting opportunities to push themselves up the goal scorer's list.

Croydon found that after its first battle with Croatia earlier this season the succeeding game was a mental let down and it was far from convincing in beating Sunshine 2-1.

No such let down will be possible this weekend when Croydon takes on a Western Suburbs side striving to rescue some of the balance of credibility before the critical appraisal of its fans but the home team should win and keep a tight grip on its place in the top four.

Juventus fans should provide the Showgrounds with a colourful atmosphere as they anticipate goals galore against bottom team Slavia.

Slavia can snatch a point from this encounter and put a touch more pressure upon the teams closest to it on the ladder.

Altona can hold its head high after taking both points from George Cross but the match could be hard fought throughout as Cross defenders Laurie Belzile and Billy Wilkinson battle to keep out Robbie Crow and Dave Hoyland.

Fans wild, Chivers flat

midfield and Martin Chivers pushing himself up front.

In the 83rd minute the enigmatic Cousin curled a high free kick over the heads of the Juve defence to Wall making a diagonal run from behind.

Well timed his header to perfection and glided the ball past a stranded Reilly.

In the 88th minute wee Bobby McGuinness had the chance to grab a point for Juve when he broke through with only Whiteside to beat but a combination of mud and Whiteside's quickness off his line foiled the Juventus striker.

Two players, who stood out for the home side were Danny McCluskey, who gave a solid, mature performance at centre half, and Dave Cooper, whose hard work had to be seen to be believed.

But Martin Chivers was a failure as a midfield playmaker.

CROATIA 4 (Murphy 2, Mitten, Tront) CROYDON 1 (Loughmane)

CROATIA: Blasby - Short, Gardiner, Kokoska, Bilaver - Andrews, Adams, Tront, Murphy - Gilder, Mitten.

CROYDON: Keogh - McKinlay, Ponghe, McCombe, Murphy - O'Connell, Smith, Howarth, Brogan - Wyllie, Loughmane.

Croatia slipped into top gear, relishing the extra space of Olympic Park No. 2, a far cry from the tight, narrow Croydon Park.

After Noel Mitten opened the scoring, Croatia was never headed and went in two up at the break before going four up prior to Peter Loughmane's 83rd minute consolation goal for the visitors.

Croatia coach John Gardiner was well aware of Steve McCombe's aerial ability so he allowed McCombe to pick up Carl Gilder while looking for Mitten in the air.

Mitten was intelligently pushed onto Alan Patten which left Croydon bereft of an effective sweeper spare at the back.

The opening goal came after Peter Blasby's long kick set saw Ponghe tackle Mitten but the ball ran to Ken Murphy who controlled before squaring to Mitten who swivelled and scored from a low shot that went in off the far post, a fine goal.

In the 25th minute Croatia went further ahead when Mitten headed down a long ball and Croydon full back Harry McKinlay tried to chest back but Sean Keogh had already committed himself and was off his line.

Ken Murphy won the race to the ball and tapped in a simple goal.

Croatia continued the goal spree in the second half with a brilliant goal in the 63rd minute from midfielder Joe Tront.

A long ball was played in the air to Gilder who headed down to Tront who controlled the ball on his knee before unleashing a tremendous volley from all of 25 yards that crashed into the roof of the net with Keogh convincingly beaten.

Murphy bagged his second after Mitten skinned McCombe, shot under the advancing Keogh but could only hit the post with Murphy following in to tap home the rebound.

SUNSHINE 1 (Pocock) ALTONA 1 (Lewis)

SUNSHINE: Scholten - Donaldson, Ellis, Mussel, McRobert - Law, Sprot, Singleton, Morrey (sub Mudrinic 65th) - Laing, Pocock, McNally.

ALTONA: Van der Pool - Lewis, Cannell, (sub J. Little 65th), Mur-



Our guest tipster this week is Frankston coach NIGEL BEVIS (Pictured). Nigel's selections with likely winners in capitals:

FRANKSTON V Makedonia, Centenary Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

GREEN GULLY V Hakoah at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

George Cross V Altona (draw) at Olympic Park No.2, Sunday, 3 pm.

Slavia V Juventus (draw) at the Showgrounds, Sunday, 3 pm.

CROYDON V Western Suburbs at Croydon Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

Sunshine V CROATIA at Chaplin Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

ray, Wilson (sub Hoyland 75th) - Wetters, Kelly, Innes - Crow, Whyte, Farmer.

After playing for 84 minutes both Sunshine and Altona had shown the heart and endeavour befitting a local derby.

Then it all happened.

Altona's Robbie Crow got put through on the right and he went to the line before cutting the ball back to the far post where Billy Whyte charged in between two Sunshine defenders before scoring from a great diving header.

The linesman held his flag high and when the goal was disallowed Altona players argued with the referee over what seemed a perfectly legitimate goal.

When the game recommenced Altona's wee was heightened when two minutes after the controversial offside decision, young Sunshine midfielder David Singleton was dragged down from behind by Altona's Brendon Farmer and Ray Pocock made no mistake from the penalty spot.

When it appeared that the Shiner's had snatched both points, a Will Laing foot about 30 yards out on the right gave Altona a last chance to score as extra time was being played.

Crow took the free kick and floated a finely judged cross to the far post where big Peter Lewis had escaped the marking of Steve Ellis to nod into the far corner of goals with John Scholten well beaten.

HAKOAH 1 (French, pen.) GEORGE CROSS 1 (Pollock)

Stewart Blair came on at half time and was clearly best afield in the second half.

His running and endeavour matched with the solid performances from Ian McNeill and Bill Jordanou were rewarded in the 34th minute when a penalty was awarded against Tony Castiello for hand-ball and French made no mistake.

The game burst into life when Jim Paparas smashed a penalty against the underside of the cross bar, missing a great chance to put Cross in front.

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W. SUBURBS 1 (Theocharidis) SLAVIA 1 (McGorian)

SUBURBS: Mitandis - Kypridis, Glykokalamos - Jaworaki, Jim Daperis - John Daperis (sub Kuplaz 70th), J. Christodoulis, Kyrcos (sub Petroski) - Carr, Kyrcos, Theocharidis.

SLAVIA: Pugliese - N. Neupf, Lawson, Houston, Pys - Brindle, Cullen, Cooke - McGorian, Wade, Jurina.

Slavia coach Tony Vrzina was satisfied with a point but annoyed at poor finishing of his striker Mick McGorian.

"Mick could have made a

name for himself because he could easily have ended up with four or five goals," he said.

"But I can't take anything away from Alex Mitandis in Suburbs goal."

Mitandis thwarted McGorian on four occasions but two in particular saved the day for Suburbs.

On both occasions Mitandis came off his line and dived at McGorian's feet, saving brilliantly.

Although Slavia had the better of the chances, Suburbs looked good in patches and it came as no surprise when Steve Carr picked up possession 10 yards inside Slavia's half, rounded John Cullen

before setting up George Theodoridis, coming inside on the blind side of Slavia's defence.

As keeper Elvio Pugliese advanced and dived down at Theodoridis's feet the Suburbs striker coolly clipped the ball into the net to equalise.

McGorian had opened the scoring in the 47th minute when he found room on the far post and headed home Paul Cooke's free kick.

Paul Wade worked his heart out as a target man and Slavia did well with a team depleted by the absence of Cliff Whiteside, Dave Griffiths and John Luccesi.

Terry Luckhurst dies

Former Juventus and Wertheim forward Terry Luckhurst, 40, died at the weekend, after an 18-month illness. Makedonia and a team of all-stars played a match last October to raise funds for Luckhurst's medical expenses. Luckhurst leaves a wife and two daughters.

Irish wrap it up with 4-0 win

PERTH — British champion Northern Ireland completed its unbeaten tour of Australia in Perth with a convincing 4-0 victory over Western Australia on Sunday.

On a wet, slippery pitch, the Ulstermen showed a crowd of about 4,000 what international football was all about, scoring two goals in each half and never being subjected to any real pressure.

Gerry Armstrong set the tone of the victory when he picked up a long probing kick which caught West Australia

goalkeeper Willy McNally right out of his territory.

With the goal wide open, Armstrong simply pushed the ball into the back of the net.

Hard-running Terry Cochran made it 2-0 at half time and then added another from a cross 15 minutes into the second half.

Substitute David McCreery

headed home the fourth goal just before full time.

On tour Northern Ireland twice beat Australia 2-1 and settled for a one-all draw in the second international.

Despite the four goals, McNally put on a gutsy performance in goal, taking the bit between his teeth and charging the Irish attack after it had run riot through the West Australian defenders. Local winger Tony Pragnall ran hard and forced a number of corners, the value of which were inevitably squandered.

Frankston Pines now stand alone as the only undefeated senior team in the Metro or State Leagues as previously undefeated Mornington was surprisingly beaten by improving Brighton.

Mornington was 3-0 down against Brighton before fighting back to 3-2 but now the gap between Nick Van Egmond's side and the rest of the division four teams is narrowing rapidly.

Northcote City jumped into second spot in division one after Polonia slumped to its third successive defeat which new signings David Garthwaite and John Wallace were helpless to avoid. Moreland paraded Tony Hamill from Green Gully who had forked out \$5000 at Altona

SELECTIONS
Selections by Craig MacKenzie:
Metropolitan League Division 1 — Saturday: DOVEYON v Abies Rovers Moreland v RINGWOOD CITY Richmond v Dandenong City (draw) Box Hill v NORTHGATE CITY Sunday: Keller v ALTONA GATE MAIDBYRNONG v Springvale City
Division II — Saturday: MORWELL FALCONS v Waverley City HEIDELBERG UNITED v Port Melbourne ADEER v Melbourne South Melbourne v Knox City (draw) DONCASTER ROVERS v Footscray Bell Park v PARK RANGERS
Division III — Saturday: PRIMAIR CITY v Heidelberg Fernres Gully v FRANKSTON PINES BROADMEADOWS CITY v St Albans Chelsea v RINGWOOD UNITED Etham v FAWNER COBURG v Yallam
Division IV — Saturday: SANDRINGHAM CITY v Keyborough warrbur v Warrington BRIGHTON v Caulfield City NORTH DANDENONG v Mooroolbark MOORABBIN CITY v Corio Monash University v NUNAWADING CITY
Provisional League Saturday: Division I: NOTHAM UNITED v Clayton Greenborough v Geelong (draw) Melton v Sunbury United (draw) Hamlyn Rangers v Royal Park (draw) SOUTH OAKLEIGH v Resolud SOUTH YABRA v Essendon City
Division II: BALLARAT v Central Albion NUNAWADING UNITED v Hawthorn Clons KARINGAL UNITED v Langwarrin HAVESOURN v East Brunswick Thornbury v BYE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE v Central City
Division III: POSTEL INSTITUTE v Gilboa NER BERRYCK CITY v Rosanna MORIALCOL v Boronia South Dandenong v SULLER Roper v SHEPPARTON CITY North Geelong v MOE UNITED
District League Sunday Division I: Brunswick City v YARRAVILLE Cheltenham v MITCHAM UNITED WEST MELBOURNE v Peace Vale MOONKE PONGS v Altona United Morbak v Burnley (draw) Bankia v CENTRAL CITY
Division II: MALVERN CITY v Vermont East Carlton v WEST BRUNSWICK VARELEEN v Central Brunswick HAMPTON WANDERERS v Abbotsford Texas Diamond Creek v ACCTY UNITED
Division III: SEAFORD UNITED v Baiter BATHMAN UNITED v Hurstbourne United CLARINDA v Balaclava PORT UNITED v Parkers CRANDORNE v West Geelong Noble Park v MOSFEE RANGERS The Amateur League Sunday: MACCABI HANSAH v Lyndale United Bye v Melbourne Uni. Amateur CHADSTONE v HMT BUNDODRA v Balmory City CONCORD v Lyndale United MACCABE UNITED v Koyong Rangers Meadow Park v ROSA UNITED
Youth League: CENTRAL DIVISION Saturday: GEORGE CROSS v Kailor Croydon City v JUVENUS FRANKSTON CITY v Waverley City Albion City v ST. KILDA HADDAI Sunday 25th Jan Moreland v ESSENDON CLONATA Melton v BROADMEADOWS CITY
South Eastern Sunday: Reserve v MOOROLBARK SUNBURY UNITED v Fernres Gully Dandenong v Bye Box Hill v FRANKSTON PINES Springvale City v NUNAWADING CITY BRIGHTON v Knox City




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Garthwaite and Wallace join Polonia, Hamill to Moreland

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DIVISION TWO

Doncaster Rovers 3 Knox City 0.

Scorers: Anselma 2, Willenberg. DONCASTER: Lawton, Rankin, Hubson, Teer, Humble, Szell, Willenberg, Humble, Sullivan, Anselma, Hall, Copeland, Gow, Sullivan.
Best Players: Doncaster: Lawton, Teer, Anselma.

After a defence-dominated first half, Rovers turned on some of its best soccer to take the points against Knox and record its fifth successive win.

Mel Anselma opened the scoring early in the second half with one of his typical opportunistic goals and Peter Willenberg made the points safe with a penalty after Kenny Hall was brought down in the box.

Anselma registered Rovers third goal in the dying minutes by dribbling round the Knox keeper and slotting the ball home with ease.

Hellas 1 Melbourne 0
MELBOURNE: Magro - Diamantaris, Liu, Drinacsky, Cerra - Fokes, Geros H/TI, Bird, Botzovski, Kaiser - Gooch, Balleck.
Hellas destroyed Melbourne in the first 20 minutes but could not convert its superiority into goals.

Sammy Wright and Socrates Nicholas dictated terms in the middle of the park and rarely gave a bad ball throughout the game.

Hellas's decisive goal came in the 25th minute when a badly cleared corner was shot back in to goal and deflected past a helpless Victor Magro in the Melbourne goal.

Then Melbourne settled down and played with much more method.

Daryl Gooch threw away two fine scoring chances when he hit a shot over the bar from close range then burst through into a one-on-one situation with the Hellas keeper who was too quick for Gooch and saved at his feet.

Melbourne coach Harry Chellidis described Hellas as the best team that Melbourne had played.

"I can't understand why Hellas is not challenging for the championship," he said.

Dandenong City 1 Springvale City 2.

Scorers: Springvale: Gollan, Kent. DANDENONG: Davies, Murray, Blackmore, Parker, Gunn, Westly, Fox, Young, Broderick, Martinovic, Holcombe, Gummer, Hughes, Mackie.

SPRINGVALE: Perry Mur, Robertson, Civiati, Lawler, Adam, Gollan, Smart, Barca, Fowler, Beard, Kent, Strutt, Wessells, Pister Mur.

Best Players: Springvale: Smart, Lawler.
Before the game, Springvale president, Mr. H. Healey presented Pister Mur with a gift to commemorate his retirement.

Pister, with over 250 games for the club, is a life member with 15 years service. His brother Perry has taken over in goal for the team and we wish him success in continuing the family goalkeeping expertise.

DIVISION FOUR

Moarabbin City 2 Mooroolbark 3.

Scorers: Moorabbin: Owen, Barlow. Mooroolbark: Bailey, Waller, Masters. MOORABBIN: Parton, Walling, Teikney, Striray, Rosa, Morgan, C. Senese, Gregory, Owen, Winton, Kelly, Crawford, Barlow, Walling.

MOOROLBARK: Brown, Murray, Bedford, Wilczynski, Murray, A. Wilczynski, Masters, Sheppon, Waller, Irson, Atkins, Bailey, T. Masters, Van Leuwerden.

BEST PLAYERS: Moorabbin: Parton, Morgan, C. Senese, Winton, Mooroolbark: Murray, Waller, Masters, Atkins. Mooroolbark took the lead within the first 10 minutes, followed by another goal 10 minutes before half time.

Moorabbin fought back in the second half through Dave Owen's goal at the 30th minute mark, but Mooroolbark sealed the game soon after with a goal from Masters.

Moorabbin got a late goal from substitute Brian Barlow.

PROVISIONAL ONE
HAMLYN RANGERS 2 SUNBURY UNITED 2
Scorers: Hamlyn: Prior, McMullen. Sunbury: Campbell, McCulloch.

HAMLYN: Nydam, Ogilvie, Shute, Giorotti, J. Tulone, Fraser, McMullen, M. Tulone, Broadley, Prior, Munro, Mela, Reserves: Frider, Mul, Marshall.

SUNBURY: Borg, Duncanson, Haynes, Gilligan, Clerk, Campbell, Evans, Sexton, Little, Stokes, McMillan, Reserves: Gulle, Collins, McCulloch Hopkins.

BEST PLAYERS: Hamlyn: Broadley, Prior, Fraser, J. Tulone. Sunbury: Stokes, Campbell, Duncanson, Clarke.

PROVISIONAL TWO
Thomastown 3 East Brunswick 1.
Scorers: Thomastown: Dallas, Rizzo, Papadopoulos. E. Brunswick: Healy.

Thomastown: Raponi, Rizzo, Borin, Telikopoulos, Karamianis, Comer, Hebble, Papadopoulos, Tavorolo, Dallas, (Zuanetti, Brooks, Vangelis, Ta Ver-ri).

E. Brunswick: Blas, Lucas, Dintinasante, Bramante, Madaffel, Tonnese, Healy, Boccia, Centurino, Varnvoldis, Ianni (Nuzzoni, Gochiehl).

Best Players: Thomastown: Karamianis, Hebble, Tavorolo, Rizzo. E. Brunswick: Healy, Bramante, Madaffel.

North Melbourne 2 Hampton Wanderers 3
Scorers: North Melbourne: J. Massis, Currell. Hampton Wanderers: B. Acic 2, Comer.

North: G. Massis, Litchfield, Kermal, J. Massis, Cowan, Manpon, Pollard, Hatzimihail, Currell, Lino, Solopoulis.

Hampton: Ereikman, Conreres, Basygic, Kiki, Gonzales, Yahya, Solak, Okor, Bacio, Compos, Tallid, Hudson.

Best Players: North: J. Massis, Currell, Kermal. Hampton: Bacio, Basygic, Solak.

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Heidelberg top star ratings

Heidelberg players dominate our half-yearly best player ratings.

Eight of them are among the 33 best according to ratings in the Yugoslav Airlines Player of the Year award before last weekend's matches.

The best players are classified 3-2-1 in each of the 11 field positions.

Heidelberg is tops in four positions, through Jim Campbell, Jim Rooney, Gary Cole and Jim Tansey.

The top four teams — Heidelberg, Sydney City, south Melbourne and Marconi — hold 18 of the 33 positions.

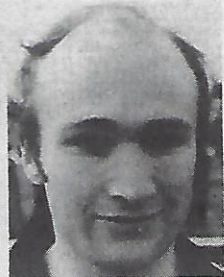
The standings, with each player's JAT rating before last weekend's round, are:



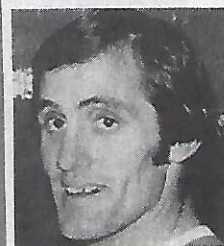
● **Peter Laumets**
Goalkeepers
1. Laumets (SM) 7.84
2. Boland (Foots) 7.76
3. Maher (Marc) 7.7



● **Jim Hermiston**
Sweeper
1. Hermiston (BL) 8.2
2. Lutton (SM) 7.8
3. Yzendoom (H'berg) 7.6



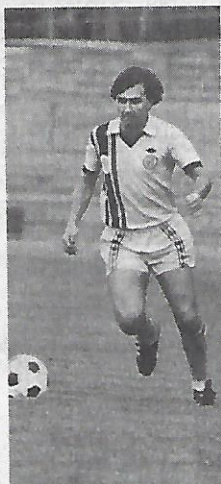
● **Vince Bannon**
Right Back
1. V. Bannon (SM) 8.2
2. Reaney (Newc) 7.92
3. Perry (BC) 7.85



● **Col Bennett**
Stopper
1. Bennett (BL) 8.1
2. Milovanovic (Can) 8.0
3. Kondarios (Foots) 7.9



● **Jim Tansey**
Left Backs
1. Tansey (H'berg) 8.0
2. Williams (Can) 7.8
3. Bruce (SC) 7.4



● **Jim Campbell**
Right Midfield
1. J. Campbell (H'berg) 7.92
2. Watson (SC) 7.92
3. D. Cole (Can) 7.7



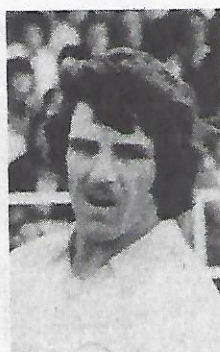
● **Murray Barnes**
Central Midfield
1. Barnes (SC) 8.0
2. Hogg (BL) 7.9
3. Selemidis (H'berg) 7.5



● **Jim Rooney**
Left Midfield
1. Rooney (H'berg) 8.0
2. G. Campbell (SM) 7.7
3. Stevenson (SC) 7.6



● **Gary Cole**
Right Striker
1. Cole (H'berg) 8.2
2. Ontong (BL) 7.8
3. P. O'Connor (APIA) 7.5



● **Ken Boden**
Central Striker
1. Boden (SC) 7.69
2. Millman (BL) 7.69
3. Paton (H'berg) 7.5



● **Sebastian Giampaolo**
Left Striker
1. Giampaolo (Can) 7.6
2. Lujic (Foots) 7.5
3. Bozikas (H'berg) 7.4

Young players make mark

At the halfway mark of the Victorian State League "Soccer Action" provides you with a breakdown, on a 3-2-1 basis, of the highest vote getters in our General Tourist best player award and the positions in which they have gained the majority of their votes.

It is interesting to note that of a players picking up votes only five come from the top two clubs on the State League ladder, Croatia and Makedonia.

Youth appears in the team in the form of top goalkeeper Elvio Pugliese from Slavia, Tony Curcio from Juventus and David Singleton from Sunshine, the top two right backs.

Experience is the biggest influence running throughout the front three positions while the midfield has presented a curious mix of midfield markers, midfielders that can lay off their defence well and adventurous, attacking midfielders.

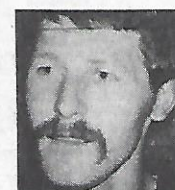
Here is the line up:



● **Elvio Pugliese**
GOALKEEPERS
1 - Pugliese (Sl)
2 - Whiteside (Frank)
3 - O'Hara (Hak)



● **Tony Curcio**
RIGHT BACKS:
1 - Curcio (Juve)
2 - Singleton (Sun)
3 - Lewis (Alt)



● **Steve McCombe**
STOPPERS
1 - McCombe (Croy)
2 - Cannell (Alt)
3 - Kokoska (Cr)



● **Mike Glykokalamos**
SWEEPERS
1 - Glykokalamos (SW)
2 - Dunne (Ajax)
3 - Mussel (Sun)



● **Charlie Murphy**
LEFT BACKS
1 - Murphy (Croy)
2 - Nelson (Juve)
3 - Cullen (SI)



● **Jim Paparas**
CENTRAL MIDFIELD
1 - Paparas (GC)
2 - Gibson (Hak)
3 - Whyte (Alt)



● **Claude Lucchesi**
LEFT MIDFIELD
1 - Lucchesi (Mak)
2 - Jordanou (Hak)
3 - Watters (Alt)



● **Robert Cullen**
RIGHT STRIKERS
1 - Cullen (Mak)
2 - Greechan (WS)
3 - Vojtek (Ajax)



● **Bobby McGuinness**
CENTRAL STRIKERS
1 - McGuinness (Juve)
2 - Gilder (Cr)
3 - McGorian (SI)

GARY COLE WAY AHEAD

Gary Cole of Heidelberg United holds a commanding lead in the progressive goalscorers' list since the start of the Philips League.

Before last weekend's games his 59-

goal total in league and Cup games was well ahead of that of second-placed John Nyskohus (Adelaide City) who had 42.

The progressive list is:

	League	Cup	Top four	Total
	77 78 79 80	77 78 79 80	78 79	
Cole (H'berg).....	11 11 10 17	3 2	5	59
J. Nyskohus (AC).....	9 7 7 7	2 7 3		42
Jankovics (Marc).....	4 9 18 7	1	1	40
Boden (SC).....	14 12 8	1 3 2		40
Barnes (SC).....	12 4 7 8	1 1 1	1	36
P. O'Connor (APIA).....	8 11 7 5	3		34
Sharne (Marc).....	9 6 10 4		2	34
Deans (AC).....	16 5 8 1			31
C. Eaton (SO).....	7 14 7	2 1		31
Buljivic (SM).....	9 6 6 4	3 1	1	30
J. Campbell (H).....	8 12 2 4	2 2		28
Kosmina (WA).....	12 7 4	1 1		25
Ollerton (Foots).....	6 9 4 3		2	25
T. Byrne (Can).....	9 9 1	1 4		24
Krncevic (Marc).....	13 8	2		23
Norris (WA).....	9 4 7 1	1		23
E. Campbell (St.G).....	6 8 2 2	2	2	22
Keiso (SC).....	5 6 3	4 2	2	22
Stevenson (SC).....	5 5 3	2	1	21
Mariani (Marc).....	7 6 3 1			21
Gruljic (Can).....	4 9 3	2 2		20
Palinkas (BC).....	6 4 7 1	2		20
Cummings (SM).....	3 10 2 2	1 1 1		20



YOUTH REPORT

from

COCA-COLA BOTTLERS



Cozzella aims high

Bruno Cozzella, Footscray J.U.S.T.'s 16-year-old striker, really has the world at his feet.

Bruno started playing soccer when he was seven years old and he played throughout the junior ranks with Altona before breaking into the club's reserve team at 14.

Cozzella first savoured first team football a year later and he now loves the thrill of being attached to a PSL club such as J.U.S.T.

Bruno readily acknowledges the part his father has played in his development when he says "dad pushed me right through-out my career and if it wasn't for him I wouldn't be where I am now."

And where is Bruno Cozzella today?

Obviously at 16 young Bruno has time on his side when it comes to his soccer development.

He is a ball player who enjoys the excitement of playing up front and loves

to run wide drawing defenders out from the middle and creating space for his team mates.

At J.U.S.T. Bruno trains every day under the guidance of coach Rocco Ille and his first full PSL game is not too far away.

Bruno can already see the benefit of Ille's training and he is thankful of the progress that he is making.

"Rocco Ille has polished up my basic skills but there is a long way to go. My only hope is that he (Ille) can continue to take part in my development."

And what of the future and Bruno's ambitions?

"Perhaps I may go overseas because that is where it is all happening and I'd love to make it big."

Bruno's short range ambition is to establish a place for himself in the Australian youth team to play in the 1981 World Championships.

"I know that it will be hard but I can see myself improving a lot and I think that I can make it, I really do."

"When I moved from Altona to J.U.S.T. it was not so hard to get used to the set up here because I

had had senior experience at Altona.

"The one big difference between the two clubs is that J.U.S.T. is more professional but if I continue to develop then my future looks good."

"I can see big things for myself in the years to come."

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

FORGET WINNING AT ALL COSTS

This week we finish Mr. W. F. Pless's article, in which he goes on to say that he believes the introduction of five-a-side soccer for very young players, played on small pitches, would go a long way to solve the problems and shortcomings of eleven-a-side soccer.

At one primary school they have conducted a five-a-side series for the 8 to 12 age group. Surveys were conducted during these games and compared with eleven-a-side games as played on Saturdays. The figures showed that players touched the ball far more often, even though the eleven-a-side games were played for 50 minutes and the five-a-side for only 20 minutes.

Five-a-side soccer has several distinct advantages for all players.

It is far more conducive to skill learning and practice; it can readily cater for large or small numbers of players, and is suitable for all playing areas, both indoor and outdoor; it is a simple game and thus provides a reasonable level of success for most players.

The games are played on the basis of 10 to 15 minutes each way, and the boys are moving continuously, therefore getting at least as much exercise as they would in an eleven-a-side game of 50 minutes duration.

This means that, on standard grounds divided into four five-a-side pitches one could have 80 boys involved in one hour! Compare this with eleven-a-side's 66 in three hours. With larger grounds divided into eight pitches, 160 boys are involved in an hour.

The fact that so many boys could play on the one ground would lessen the ever growing problem of refereeing that exists at the present, because all these games require is for someone to stand in the middle to keep an eye on things.

Some level of success is essential to all boys playing soccer.

Eleven-a-side soccer with its emphasis on



LEIF JENSEN

positioning and its use of large facilities and equipment, does not provide this for many boys. It was gratifying to see boys scoring freely in these five-a-side games. Many of these boys had never scored a goal in their life before. Yet this is what the game is all about!

As for success with individual skill, one can actually see skill developing during the course of a five-a-side game. Boys have freedom of movement and frequent opportunities to practice and prove their skills in a game situation. Dettmar Cramer, the former FIFA coach and coach of the German club Bayern Munich said, "A boy of 10 years is not a little adult, he is perfect human being of 10 years."

The introduction of the changes outlined in this article, together with the adoption of sympathetic and knowledgeable coaching techniques, will go a long way towards creating a favourable environment in which the emphasis is taken off winning and is placed on participation, and in which boys will be able to develop their soccer skills to the fullest, without undue pressure. They will be able to look forward to a lifetime of enjoyment and satisfaction for a game they have learnt well.

On the other hand, a boy reaches the age of 12 or so and decides that soccer is not for him, he will at least have had an enjoyable experience.

My comment to people who are reading this column would be that, seeing as the administrators of junior soccer in Victoria have already realised that a change was indeed needed, and introduced such a change in the format of six-a-side games for boys up to the age of 11, let us obey these rules and forget about this "wag at all cost caper". It is sure to pay dividends in the long run.

would still like to hear from anybody who might have any thoughts on junior soccer in any State, so send your letter to me at this address: L. G. Jensen, 13 Magit Avenue, Mulgrave, 3170, Victoria.



U.S. BOUND

Klaus Okon, 11, of Patrician Brothers, Fairfield, has won a trip to the Pele Soccer School in the U.S. from July 4 to 12. He also will visit Disneyland. The prize was one of the attractions of the Johnny Warren Soccer Academies run during the school holidays. Klaus is pictured with Warren, the former captain of the Socceroos. Klaus' dad, by the same name, is a former Marconi player.

Hat-trick heroes

The "Soccer Action" Hat Trick Diploma is available to any junior player who scored three or more goals in any league, Cup or official school match. Friendly matches do not count.

Coaches are asked to supply the following information:

1. Name of the boy who scored the hat-trick (or more).
2. His age, address and the team for which he plays.
3. The team against which he scored the goals.
4. Date of game.

5. Send the information to "Soccer Action" 250 Spencer Street, Melbourne, Vic., and we will forward the certificate free of charge as an incentive to keep on scoring those goals! The boys' names will also appear in our list of "Hat-Trick Heroes" published every week.

This week's hat-trick heroes:

Alex Bargilants, 12, L. Goulas, 12, (South Oakleigh); Peter Mellings, 10, David Mellings, 12, five goals (Beaumaris); Dean Pace, 8, four goals, David Azzopardi, 13, four goals, Darryn Pace, 13 (Moreland); Matthew Ledger, 8, (Knox City); Geoff Gillard, 8, six goals, Robert

Jakobsen, 8, Englebert Schmidt, 8, four goals, Byron Den Hertog, 8, four goals (Seaford United); G. Dyer, 14, S. McGill, 14, T. McMorrow, 14, S. Douglas, 14, five goals, Phillip Burridge, 7, five goals, E. Vega, 14, four goals (Altona Rovers); David Canuana, 9, (Springvale City); Daniel Neal, 7, four goals, Barry Wroe, 9, five goals, Steven Jackson, 10, Robert Ollerak, 11 (Boronia); Steve Keenan, 10 (Chelsea); Jimmy Mitsu, 11, four goals (Clairinda); Neil Baugh, 6, (Knox City); David Love, 8, four goals (Greenborough); Andrew Bedford, 11, Mark Unternahrer, 10, (Mooroolbark); Gavin Brown, 13, (Keysborough); Marcus Mills, 8, (Baxter); Allan Duffell, 10, (Watsonia Heights); Hussein Skenderovic, 8, (Mitcham United); Tasos Anastasiou, 12, (Nunawading United); Adam McConologue, 8, (Springvale City); Theo Poulentzas, 13, (Heidelberg United); Nigel De Sousa, 13, (Archer); Jason Bainbridge, 8, five goals, Keith Burdett, 7, (Mornington); Greg Heazlewood, 11, (Seaside); Alexander Brice, 11, (Waverley); Nick Anastasovski, 15, (Williamstown High School); Robert Bai, 11, five goals, Italian Zuccheri, 11, five goals, Jonathan Watts, 11, Sean Parton, 11, (Derinya Primary School); Neville Toms, 11, four goals (Mooroolbark); Riccardo Soldaini, 9, (Sunshine City); Shane Semmens, 11, (Glenroy North); Peter Angelopoulos, 9, Chris Manakis, 8, five goals (Dingley).

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Hrubesch German hero

Horst Hrubesch, the huge Hamburg striker, wrote his personal fairy-tale with the two goals which dumped plucky little Belgium 2-1 and gave West Germany the European Nations cup for the second time at the Olympic Stadium in Rome last Sunday.

It was only an injury to Klaus Fischer which gave 29-year-old Hrubesch his chance and he was considered lucky to be in the side for the final after poor performances in the last two matches.

But he quickly repaid manager Jupp Derwall's confidence in him by hitting a spectacular opener after 10 minutes and then brought the house down with a typical leaping header two minutes from time after van der Eycken had equalised for Belgium from the penalty spot after 72 minutes.

The result left Germany undefeated under Derwall since 1978.

It was a fine final, partly making up for the mediocrity of the rest of the tournament, and which the Belgian underdogs almost snatched.

The teams were greeted by a 50,000 crowd and the Italians in attendance soon made it clear they were with favourites West Germany following Belgium's elimination of Italy.

West Germany, fielding the same side which saw them edge out Czechoslovakia, the Netherlands and Greece in their group, took the early initiative and Hansi Mueller brought out a fine diving save from Belgian goalkeeper Pfaff after only four minutes.

Six minutes later the West Germans struck. Bernd Schuster, the blond midfielder player from Cologne who has been one of the big successes of the finals, played a sweet one-two with top scorer Klaus Allofs, fed Hrubesch and the big man turned smartly to drive a loping shot past Pfaff from the edge of the box.

Van der Elst shot wildly



Horst Hrubesch scores the first of his two goals in the European nations final. At right is Millesamps of Belgium.

past with only goalkeeper Schumacher to beat seconds later, but it was the West Germans who were dictating the play.

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The second half started with a free for van der Eycken of Belgium and Forster of West Germany, but it soon became evident the West Germans were now the more nervous side.

The Belgians swept forwards into the gaps left in mid-field and both van der Eycken and Cools had chances to level the scores, but panicked at the wrong moment.

An injury to midfield powerhouse Briegel, which forced him to be replaced by Cullmann, further undermined

the West German cause and with 18 minutes to go their hesitancy cost them the lead.

Van der Elst's speed took him clear of the West German defence from a defensive clearance and as he closed in on Schumacher, he was downed from behind by Forster.

The offence appeared to have been just outside the area, but the Romanian referee signalled a penalty and van der Eycken joyously slammed the ball home for the equaliser.

The West Germans were now on the rack as the Belgians, who had previously ousted England, Italy and Spain on their way to the finals, stormed forward.

Van der Elst found himself clear again one minute later, but dalted long enough for the West German defence to crowd him out and Culemans sliced a shot wide from 10 metres.

The final seemed destined for 30 minutes extra time with a replay being necessary on Tuesday if that failed to settle the issue, when Rummenigge fired over a corner in the 88th minute.

GROUPE ONE	
WEST GERMANY 1 (Rummenigge 55th), CZECHOSLOVAKIA 0. Half-time 0-0.	
CZECHOSLOVAKIA 3 (Pannenska 5th, Vized 25th, Nehoda 62nd), GREECE 1 (Anastopoulos 16th). Half-time 2-1.	
HOLLAND 1 (Kist pen 65th) GREECE 0. Half-time 0-0.	
WEST GERMANY 3 (K. Allofs 20th, 59th & 68th) HOLLAND 2 (Rep pen 79th, W van der Kerkhof 88th). Half-time 1-0.	
CZECHOSLOVAKIA 1 (Nehoda 15th) HOLLAND 1 (Kist 58th). Half-time 1-0.	
WEST GERMANY 0 GREECE 0.	

GROUPE TWO	
BELGIUM 1 (Culemans 29th) ENGLAND 1 (Wilkins 26th). Half-time 1-1.	
ITALY 0 SPAIN 0.	
ITALY 1 (Tardelli 79th) ENGLAND 0.	
BELGIUM 2 (Geyts 16th, Cools 64th) SPAIN 1 (Quini 35th). Half-time 1-1.	
ENGLAND 2 (Brooking 18th, Woodcock 60th) SPAIN 1 (Dani pen 48th). Half-time 1-0.	
BELGIUM 0 ITALY 0.	

PLAY-OFF FOR THIRD PLACE	
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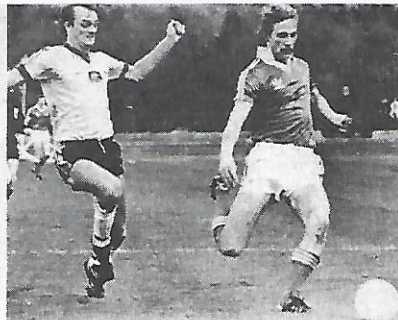
FINAL	
WEST GERMANY 2 (Hrubesch 10th & 88th) BELGIUM 1 (van der Eycken penalty 72nd). Half-time 1-0.	

Final ratings:	
1. W. Germany.....	4 3 1 0 6 3 7
2. Belgium.....	4 1 2 1 4 4 4
3. Czechoslovakia.....	4 2 1 1 5 4 5
4. Italy.....	4 1 2 1 2 1 4
5. Holland.....	3 1 1 1 4 3 3
6. England.....	3 1 1 1 3 3 3
7. Spain.....	3 0 1 2 2 4 1
8. Greece.....	3 0 1 2 1 4 1

The Belgian defence, so dominant in the air against Italy, stayed grounded as Hrubesch's giant frame leapt up to nod the ball over Pfaff's despairing hands into the top left-hand corner of the net.

There was only time left for van der Elst to become the third Belgian booking before the final whistle marked West Germany's triumph.

The West Germans remained undefeated in their four matches played, beating Czechoslovakia 1-0, the Net-



Controversial Australian international Jim Muir (left) prepared to slide tackle Northern Ireland's central striker Billy Hamilton.

CITY SIDE OF MUIR CASE

Adelaide City this week answered criticism levelled at it over the alleged treatment of star centre back Jim Muir who recently transferred to Marconi.

Mr. Laurie Carbone, chairman of the club's sports committee, said: "Any criticism of Adelaide City in regards to Jim Muir is completely unwarranted and unfair."

"Adelaide City feels it has done everything in its power to assist Muir. Certainly we have no pangs of conscience about the way we dealt with the matter."

"At all times we had the interests of Muir and the interests of soccer at heart and we believe Muir was treated more fairly."

Mr. Carbone and club coach Rale Rasic made the following points:

● Adelaide City paid Scottish club Dumbarton a transfer fee of \$7,500 for Muir who had come to an agreement about terms with the then club secretary.

● Rasic proposed a new contract because upon investigation, it was found that agreement about certain terms had not been reached as stated.

● A new two-year contract was prepared for Muir to sign but Muir, who was in excellent form then, refused to sign and asked for more money.

● However, he continued to play, he was paid according to the unsigned agreement and he co-operated according to the terms of the agreement without showing dissatisfaction.

● A few weeks before he sustained his groin injury, he asked the club for more money. This was agreed to partly by the club.

● Muir then sustained that injury and although he could not play, Adelaide City continued to pay him all match fees, bonuses and signing-on money as well as off-season wages.

● While Muir was out injured, Adelaide City bought David Jones from Adelaide City as his replacement.

● Muir then went on a tour of Italy with Ray Richards' all-star team.

● Before he left, he asked Adelaide City to find him a new club. He also approached the club for money, explaining he found himself in financial difficulty. The club, however had paid him all it owed him.

● Muir brought the original contract, signed in Scotland, to the club's attention, but under this agreement, he would have received less money than he actually got.

● Muir argued the club was morally obliged to support him and his family in financial need. He approached the Department of Immigration which was informed by the club of the position and the Department decided the club had honored its commitments.

● During Muir's time in Italy, the club helped his wife financially with an interest-free loan.

● The club took steps to find Muir a new club, as it now had. Jim Muir's clubs approached were: West Adelaide, St. George, South Melbourne, Geydon, Green Gully and Footscray.

● Rasic negotiated what he thought was a good deal with St. George but Muir refused it.

● Rasic continued to put Muir in his Adelaide City team against the committee's wishes to give him extra money. The committee had decided Muir should return to Scotland.

● A few days before he was due to go home — at the club's expense — Marconi made a move to buy Muir.

● Although Adelaide City had previously decided to buy Muir's air tickets, it changed its mind and allowed him to transfer, because it felt Muir genuinely wanted to stay in Australia.

Mr. Carbone said he felt compelled to outline the facts of the case because of various reports in newspapers.

He denied Muir's claims that "politics" had wrecked his career with Adelaide City and that guns were still being fired at him from South Australia.

Fernandez, Gallagher not to blame

Two recent coaching sackings amid the typical mid-season "kick-the-coach" campaign, need commenting on.

These cases involve Canberra City's Vic Fernandez, and Arncliffe Scots' (NSW State League) Jim Gallagher.

Both cases were identical. Each club had spent a small fortune on new players and seemed to expect that this gave them an automatic passport to a place in the top four.

Arncliffe has spent \$30,000 on new players while Canberra has splashed out closer to \$80,000 on new men.

Gallagher was sacked last week with his team then in seventh place, three points away from the four, while Canberra dispensed with Fernandez with the team eighth, four points outside the top four.

Neither man was given the time needed to blend a succession of new players into a team.

And the fact is that both men had given good service to their clubs over a period of time, which had allowed their club managements to get a good assessment of their ability.

Fernandez was at Canberra for two years under John Warren and took over in his own right last season.

Apparently the club considered he was a man of sufficient ability at the end of last season after having looked at



Mike Johnson

slumping to a succession of defeats.

Chaidi was a good, professional coach in Sydney. The conservative Adelaide air has not suddenly turned him into a bumblebee.

If the same guillotine mentality in soccer clubs prevailed in Rugby League clubs, St. George's (Sydney) Harry Bath would have been sacked in 1978 when his team languished at the foot of the table.

Bath was allowed to continue and last year St. George won the premiership.

In my first year at Sutherland the team was second bottom for a long time, but I kept on and we finished third top that year and eventually I got the team promoted.

In our first year in First Division, playing against the might of Marconi, Hakahoa and the like, we were rank bottom

at the end of the first round yet recovered to finish half-way up the table.

In the current unstable atmosphere I would have been gone long before I got the chance to bring short and eventually long-term success to Sutherland.

Sutherland has never sacked a coach in mid-season — though that is not to say it will not follow the current trend.

North Sydney, last season in NSW 1st division bought many new players and were well down the table at the half-way stage, but the club kept coach Fil Bottalico and the team recovered to win promotion.

I speak with some feeling in this coaching matter because I lost a position in West Adelaide, in similar circumstances to Gallagher and Fernandez when my team had lost only two games in six months and we were fifth on the table.

For a coach to lose a position in mid-season amid the glare of publicity is never often brings, especially at Phillips League level, is a severe blow to his professional reputation.

For Fernandez and Gallagher the odds are that they will have to sit out a time of penance for their so-called failure until memories dim and they get a recall by some other club, prepared to give them another chance.

When they do get another chance they will be looked at with suspicion, with their

weaknesses dwelt upon at length, especially if instant success is not forthcoming.

If there are a couple of losses it will be to the coach not the players that everyone looks to place the blame.

Players far too often do not have to face up to their responsibilities for bad results.

They know that instead of three or four of them being replaced following a string of bad results, it will be the coach who will take the bullet.

And when the new coach comes in there will be an immediate lift in performance — for two or three games. There must be a lesson in that fact.

In most instances it is the coach who is the most dedicated, committed and professional person within the club — yet the most easily made redundant.

Of course if discipline at a club is lost, if players for good reason, have completely lost respect for the coach and the coach has lost confidence in himself and the whole thing is falling apart, then the club has little alternative but to replace the coach.

Such was not the case with Fernandez and Gallagher who both had players prepared to back them to retain their jobs.

Such impetuous decision-making if perpetuated within the Canberra and Arncliffe clubs must hinder their progress in the long term while it adds up the unstable nature of our total soccer set-up.

BOYLE HELPS PORT

West Adelaide's troubled midfielder Peter Boyle (pictured) made his South Australian State League debut for Port Adelaide last Saturday.

Boyle, on loan to Port till the end of the season, was impressive in this top-of-the-table 1-1 draw.

Port retained second spot but has slipped a further point

Results: Cumberland 1 (Welsh) Polonia 2 (Kritikos, Typel). Beograd 1 (Wikstoln) Croatia 2 (Jordan, Marwe). Port Adelaide 1 (Mitchell) Campbelltown 1 (Barandregt). Victoria 0 Elizabeth 1 (Strain).

Para Hills 5 (Bell 2, Amos 2, Brown) Azzurri 2 (Iannace).

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PORT ADELAIDE.....	4	6	2	15	13	13
PARA HILLS.....	5	3	3	18	12	13
POLONIA.....	6	1	4	19	14	13
CAMPBELLTOWN.....	4	6	2	13	13	13
CUMBERLAND.....	4	4	3	14	11	12
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AZZURRI.....	3	3	6	18	19	9
BEOGRAD.....	4	1	6	18	21	9
VICTORIA.....	1	10	7	28	2	2

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Barlie	7	1	3	15	8	5	Buena Vista	11	5	3	3	29
Benalla	11	4	2	18	9	13	Rusden	11	8	1	4	22
Challinor	11	4	2	18	9	13	Traralgon	11	8	1	4	22
Chapman	11	4	3	15	9	12	Warragul	11	8	1	4	22

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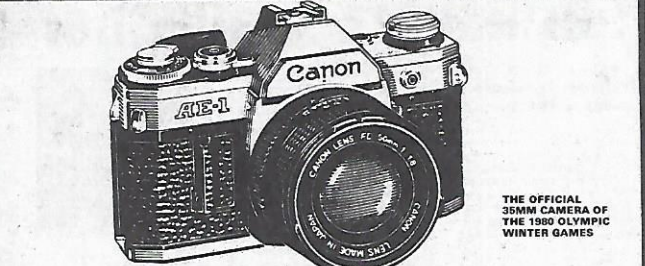
It shows Bobby Russell scoring for Sydney Croatia against Toongabbie with a flying header at the Sydney Sports Ground. Russell now is with Adelaide City and Toongabbie has changed its name to Blacktown City.

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Back row (from left): Col Bennett (joined from Able 1977), Alan Niven (England 1976), Ron Millman (Southside Eagles 1978), Tony Scanlan (Annarley 1978), Nigel Lownds (England 1978), Tom McGregor (from juniors), Alan Hughes (Scotland 1976), Matt Carson (Southside Eagles 1978), trainer Len Bayliss.
Front row (from left): Steve Hogg (Canberra City 1980), Jim Hermitson (Grange Thistle 1978), Steve Amos (West Adelaide 1978), Paul Ontong (Mooroolbark 1978), John Reid (Annarley 1980), Graham Wilson (from juniors), Garry Lindsay (Southside Eagles 1980). Missing: Mark McNaughton and Johan Verweij (from New Zealand, 1980).

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JOS JEDNO RAZOCARENJE

J. U.S.T. je ponovo razocarao svoje navjace losom igrom. Zbog cestih promena klucnih igraca, uglavnom zbog povreda, "plavi" gube svaku bitku na sredini igralista, tako da je odbrana pod nepristanim pritiskom. Ovog puta nisu igrali Jovanovic i O'Reilly, dok povratnik Rujevic i Kriarasa, zbog dugog odustava, nije doneo ocekivanu korist, jer obojica trebaju vreme za ulaganje. "Plava" navala su samo dva igraca — Lujic i Vasic. Sa malo vise sportske sreće njih dvojica su mogli da izvuku neresen rezultat, jer su stvorili pet zrelih prilika, a iskoristili samo jednu. JUST se jos uvek odrazava na sredini tabele, ali ako ovako nastavi pocijece vrtoglavu da se spušta prema dnu. Iduce subote JUST igra zaostalu utakmicu protiv Canberra City na Middle Parku. Od ovog susreta mnogo zavisi sudbina "plavih". Pobjeda je nuzna, ali ona se ne moze ostvariti bez dramatične promene forme klucnih igraca, kao sto su Piccione, Jovanovic, Rujevic i O'Reilly.

PROMENA NA VRHU TABELE DRZAVNE LIGE
Tacno na polovini puta ovogodisnjeg prvenstva Makedonija je ponovo preustila vodjstvo na celu tabele svom najvećem rivalu Croatia, koja je pregazila Croydon City sa 4:1. Makedonija je izvukla neresen rezultat sa Green Gully-em, iako je imala daleko vise od igre i zrelije sance. Posto, u ovom trenutku, gotovo nista ne deli Croatia u Makedoniji, prvaka ce verovatno oducciti njihov medjstobni susret.

OSTALI REZULTATI
MORELAND — ALTONA GATE 1:1 (1:0). Rezultat ne odgovara igri, jer je vodja navale Altona Gate Vlado Koteksv nekoliko puta bio sam pred golmanom ali nije postigao ni jedan gol. Fro-nik je imao samo jednu sanu u prvom poluvremenu, koju je vesto iskoristio, tako da je Altona Gate jedva izjednacila pored taklih zrelih prilika. Jedini gol, koji je doneo izjednacjenje, postigao je Cele Tavevski u 60. minutu glavom na centarsut Sekule Sekulovskog.

PARK RANGERS — FOOTSCRAY JUST 3:0 (0:0). Na igralistu prepunom vode i blata, drugi tim JUST-a, iako oslabljen. Vrlo dobro se snasao. U prvom poluvremenu "plavi" su imali najmanje tri zrele sance. Medjutim, Park Rangers je pocao da lupa po nogama fizicki slabije igrace JUST-a, sto je sudija dozvolio i u drugom poluvremenu odnos sanga se naglo izmenio. Ispak nije Simic i Vlatko Belic su imali takve prilike pred kraj utakmice, da su mogli lako da izjedname rezultat.

U drugoj provizionajnoj ligi doslo je do smene na celu tabele, jer je Carlton/Srbija bila slobodna, a Thomastown je pobedio East Brunswick sa 3:1. Medjusobni susret dva kluba odlucice prvaka. Posel cetiri uzastopne pobeze, Hawksburn je izgubio od Langwarrina sa 0:1. Central Altona/Soga se spustila na poslednje mesto, posto je izgubio od Nunawadinga sa 2:2. Jedina utaha je pobeda rezerve sa 6:1.

ALTONA Utd/VOJVODINA — WEST MELBOURNE 1:1 (0:1). Prava prvenstvena utakmica dva ravnopravna tima. Na nesrecu Vojvodine, gosti su povel sa 2:0 vec u prvom minutu, pa su onda napravili bunker, koji je tesko bilo probiti. Na izjednacjenje se cekalo do 80. minuta. Strelac je bio Adam Miller. U zadnjem minutu Paul Gallo je presao nekoliko i golmana, ali je promasio praznu mrezu. Bolji od ostalih kod Vojvodine bili su Josip Pavic, Zvonko Bartol i Paul Gallo. Rezerve: Vojvodina — West Melbourne 2:3. Oba gola za Vojvodinu postigao je Zlatko Lacok.

PLAVI DUNAV/PARKVILLE — CLARINDA 0:4 (0:2). Zasluzena pobjeda gostiju, koji su potpuno nadigrali lezernje igrace Plavog Dunava. U predgri su rezerve igrale nereseno 0:0.

BOSNA — HOLLAND PARK 1:1 (0:0). Derbi amaterske lige Melburna zavrsio se bez odluke, tako da nema promene na celu tabele. Holland Park je i dalje prvi, zahvaljujuci neznanju boljoj gol-rizici. Bosna je imala jedan zadatka, pose isključenja kaptena i stuba odbrane Faruka Ljubovica u 30. minutu, zbog prigovora sudiji. Bosna je povel u 2. minutu preko Muhameda Tubica, a protivnik je izjednacilo u 68. minutu. Rezultat je bio realan, ali ne treba zaboraviti da je Bosna igrala sa igracem manje, sto daje nadu za revans, koji ce odigrati najbolji za Bosnu, Muhamed Tubic, Zoran Kustura, Branko Filipovic i Rade Celic.

TARAX — MECO HOLDING 2:1 (1:0). Sva tri gola su postigli Taraxovci. Kod stanja 1:0 Andrew Kazu je pogodio topovskim udarcem sopstvenu mrezu. Ostale golove su postigli Mladen Kresinger i Tim Bickick. Rezultat je morao biti veci, toliko je Tarax bio nadmocniji, ali svako je htio da se seta sa loptom u gol, sto je bilo nemoguće. Najbolji igraci za Tarax: Frank Micic i Andrew Kazu.

YUGOSLAV RESULTS

BELGRADE, results of Yugoslav First Division matches played over the weekend:

Partizan 0, Red Star 0; Napredak 0, Radnicki 0; Sarajevo 4, Hajduk 2; Osijek 2, Zeljeznicar 0; Borac 1, Olimpika 0; Velez 2, Buducnost 1; Rijeka 2, Dinamo 0; Celik 0, Vardar 2; Sloboda 2, Vojvodina 0.

Red Star.....	33	18	10	5	51	26	46
Sarajevo.....	33	17	6	10	53	39	40
Napredak.....	33	13	13	7	40	25	39
Radnicki.....	33	13	11	9	47	32	37
Hajduk.....	33	14	8	11	49	43	36
Velez.....	33	13	8	12	43	36	34
Sloboda.....	33	13	8	12	43	36	34
Vardar.....	33	9	15	9	41	40	33

SCOTS SEEK CLUBS HERE

Two talented players from Scotland are eager to join Australian clubs for next season.

Both were team mates of former West Adelaide star Peter Boyle at Clyde.

They are Willie McVie, a skilful centre back, and Willie Beattie, a midfielder or defender. Both are in their late twenties.

McVie transferred from Clyde to Motherwell for \$60,000 and has since had one season in the U.S. Beattie has lately been playing in South Africa.

Spanish club banned

MADRID. — The Spanish Soccer Federation has banned the Coas de Salamanca for two years on charges of paying out 4.4 million pesetas (\$6,800 Aust dollars) to fix a victory over Malaga last April.

A federation committee said the coach, Felipe Mesones, had offered money through two players, Julio Orozco of Malaga and Raul Castranova of Algeciras, who were also banned for two years.

KWIS TO VISIT

WELLINGTON. The Wellington Football Association is to send a Wellington representative team on a 13-day, six match tour of Northern New South Wales.

Coach Dave Farrington said "I will be looking to players for the future, as long as it's a strong side. "But we definitely will be looking for potential New Zealand players."

PERDIERON LOS CHAVALS EMPATARON LOS MOROCHOS LOS GAUCHOS PUNTO DE ORO

JULIO GRANDE UN "COMISARIO" CON CORAZON DE BOTIJA

West Brunswick 1
Malvern City 2

A pesar del frio, la barra GAUCHA volvio conforme a West Melbourne. Un punto de oro y varios cambios que aguraron buenos resultados.

WEST MELBOURNE: CISTERNA-NAVARO (C)-ARREBOLA-SUAREZ-CALOMINO-DITTO-MOYANO-RUIZ-GARCIA (SILVA)-REPOJOS-HIMSWORTH (SARCOO). Desde el vamos los GAUCHOS mostraron ganas de ganar y fe les sobre, a los 5' despues de una buena combinacion en el medio MIGUEL SUAREZ sirve una pelota bien puesta para la entrada de "MALVINAS" HIMWORTH que se hizo presente otra vez en el marcador.

De ahí en mas, el partido fue intenso y jugado en forma vehemente. TOTI REPOJOS, dejó el Matador en los vestuarios y deambulo por el area sin encontrarse nunca con el partido. Solo una vez estuvo en el gol, pero lo malogro. El resto bien. Los cambios trajeron una fisonomía diferente a un equipo que "puede ser".

Navarro, "NO EXTRAÑA LA PUNTA SOLO AL PRINCIPIO". EL MEDIO ESTUVO MAS FIRME Y NOSOTROS LO VAMOS A AUXILIAR AL PIBE QUE ANDA MUY BIEN,

esto lo dijo Dante Moyano, cuando complacido comentaba su vuelta al medio junto a su "compadre" OSCAR RUIZ. Entre los dos, GROOVY DITTO, llega ra a lo que todos esperan, verlo GRAN JUGADOR sin "lagunas" con la Celeste y Blanca. Una revelación el joven ARREBOLA, que con 18 años, sale a marcar la ultima posición la mas difícil, en el area y como numero 2, y al comentar o de JORGE CALOMINO, junto con MIGUEL SUAREZ que debuto en primera, se convirtieron en lo mejor del equipo.

PROXIMA FECHA: LOCALES en el ROYAL PARK, frente al PASCOE VALE. Una buena oportunidad para prepararse para el siguiente, frente al CENTRAL CITY, pero antes vaya el domingo al ROYAL PARK.

Altona United 1
West Melbourne 1

Con un final euforico, el pu-blico aplaudiendo y alentando a "toda garganta", LOS CELESTES se retiraron del campo de juego como si hubieran ganado. El resultado es una cosa, lo que paso en el campo fue otra.

WEST BRUNSWICK: LOYOLA-BALMA-CEDA-GRANDE-SILVEIRA-D'ANGELO-J.GONZALEZ-A.SALVO-VEZZOSO (Expulsado a los 30' del segundo tiempo)-G.GONZALEZ (LA GRECCA)-BILOTTA-G.ALFONSO (QUINOT)-

EL MALVERN CITY, es un gran equipo, y lo demostro en todo el partido. Y ahí residio el entusiasmo y el aliento del publico uruguayo. Porque LOS CHARRUAS salieron a jugar de igual a igual a un rival de alto vuelo. Y no solo se defendio, se coopero con el companero que perdía la pelota, sino que se construyó bien, se llevo sin miedos y con fuerza y por sobretodo se puso fe, ganas, garra y una vergenza deportiva digna de quienes tienen mucho camino por recorrer, pero que han de llegar muy lejos.

La juventud, capitaneada por JULIO "COMISARIO" GRANDE fun-cionó y se pierde, porque el futbol es así, y un gran jugador puede desequilibrar con una jugada y eso fue el segundo gol del MALVERN CITY.

Alvaro Salvo "anduvo muy bien" y LOYOLA el arquero EXPULSADO de Bs.Aires se afirmó, siendo el mejor valor de los CHARRUAS.

EL GOL: La fe, las ganas y ese corazon del COMISARIO, que de cabeza concreto un corner servido por BILOTTA como con la mano. JULIO GRANDE es el mejor ejemplo para ese puñado de BOTIJAS.

PROXIMA FECHA: Visitas en el parque frente al Cementerio de CARLTON - vs. EAST CARLTON.

Moonee Ponds 2
Burnley 1

En una tarde negra, donde el gol parecia negado desde el principio, y a pesar del dominio en todo el campo, LOS CHARRUAS pierden frente al Moonee Ponds, que les gana "a empuño".

BURNLEY S.C.; POIS-GLEON-F. CALLE-OCCHOA-A. SAAVEDRA-PINAS-GUIMAREZ-ORTIZ-PIETRALINGA (Expulsado a los 33 del segundo tiempo)-J.CALLE-SALZ.

Jugarle a los italianos siem-pre es difícil porque ellos corren y muerden sin compas-cio. Cuando apenas empieza un partido, el gran AMADEO CARRI ZO contaba, en los primeros 5 minutos los defensores y el portero deben estar muy atentos, la minima falla es fatal y eso les pasa muy seguido a la defensa española. A los 3 minutos, un regalo y gol italiano. Despues lucha y lucha, hasta llegar a un penalty que le hacen a Juan Calle.

Lo ejecuta PINAS y gol. De ahí en mas, un concierto de balones en los postes y el reloj que implacable marca un final que debio ser al menos un empate.

PROXIMA FECHA: Visitas, traiga una paella porque salimos de PIO-JIO, MONTEBULO, RA DANDE KING AVE. en OLINDA, alla en los "dandemongs". Nos vemos.



Between A. Agilera and A. Chiapetti, the Uruguayan coach Nepo Gonzalez, "dreaming" about the ideal team. He is very close. Slavko, Zeljko and Milenki, kids of Keesington Primary under 12, West Brunswick supporters, and Soccer Action readers.

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NO GAME THIS WEEK

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NO GAME THIS WEEK.

BLACKTOWN CITY S.C.

62 Seven Hills Road North, Seven Hills 2147. Phone 624 3344

SECRETARY: P. R. Thorne (Ph) as above.

COACH: M. Jones

GROUND: Gabbie Stadium, Quinn Ave, Seven Hills

COLOURS: white, red black trim,
black, red white trim
black red white



NO GAME THIS WEEK

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NO GAME THIS WEEK

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COACH: N. Saftich.

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This week's match: v **RISBANE LIONS** at
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MARCONI-FAIRFIELD

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, N.S.W. 2176

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COACH: L. Scheinflug.

GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd.,
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This week's match: v **WEST ADELAIDE** at
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BRISBANE LIONS

P.O. BOX 310, DARRA QLD 4076

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COACH: M. Carson

GROUND: Lions Stadium, Pine Rd, Richlands,
07 (phone) 372 2989

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This week's match: v **BRISBANE LIONS** at
Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm.

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P.O. BOX 64, ST. KILDA WEST, VIC., 3182

HONORARY SECRETARY Nick Sagiakos
(Home) 528 6196
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COACH: John Margaritis

GROUND: Middle Park, Aughtie Drive, Middle Park

COLOURS: Blue & White

This week's match: v **HEIDELBERG UNITED** at
Olympic Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.



CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City 2600

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This week's match: v **FOOTSCRAY** at
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COACH: R. Blanco

GROUND: St George Stadium, Rockdale

Colours: Red, White & Green



This week's match: v **SYDNEY CITY** at
St George Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm

HEIDELBERG UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

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COACHES: J. Rooney & P. Bannon

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melb.
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COLOURS: Black & Gold



This week's match: v **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at
Olympic Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.

SYDNEY CITY "THE SLICKERS"

61 HALL ST., BONDI, N.S.W. 2026

SECRETARY: D. Childs (02) 30 3344 A.H. 525 7734

COACH: E. Thomson

GROUND: Sydney Athletic Field

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this week's match: v **ST GEORGE** at
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FOOTSCRAY

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COACH: R. Ilie

GROUND: Western Oval, Barkly St, Footscray

COLOURS: Blue White Red.



This week's match: v **CANBERRA** at
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WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

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COACH: G. Chaldi

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COLOURS: Blue white stripes — Blue Shorts

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This week's match: v **MARCONI-FAIRFIELD** at
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